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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Creates the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. Provides methods for the establishment of a parent-child relationship. Authorizes genetic testing. Provides for temporary relief and proceedings to adjudicate parentage. Establishes procedures regarding parentage of a child of assisted reproduction. Provides for child support establishment and enforcement. Repeals the Illinois Parentage Act and the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984. Amends numerous Acts to make conforming changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

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ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5 Section 101. Short title. This Act may be cited as the 6 Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

Section 102. Public policy. Illinois recognizes the right of every child to the physical, mental, emotional, and financial support of his or her parents. The parent-child relationship, including support obligations, extends equally to every child and to his or her parent or to each of his or her 2 parents, regardless of the legal relationship of the parents, and regardless of whether a parent is a minor.

14 Section 103. Definitions. In this Act:

(a) "Acknowledged father" means a man who has established afather-child relationship under Article 3.

(b) "Adjudicated father" means a man who has been adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction, or as authorized under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, to be the father of a child.

21 (c) "Alleged father" means a man who alleges himself to be,

- 2 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b HB1531 or is alleged to be, the biological father or a possible 1 2 biological father of a child, but whose paternity has not been established. The term does not include: 3 (1) a presumed parent or acknowledged father; 4 5 (2) a man whose parental rights have been terminated or declared not to exist; or 6 7 (3) a male donor. (d) "Assisted reproduction" means any method of causing 8 9 pregnancy other than sexual intercourse. The term includes but is not limited to: 10 11 (1) intrauterine insemination; 12 (2) donation of eggs; 13 (3) donation of embryos; (4) in-vitro fertilization and transfer of embryos; 14 15 (5) intracytoplasmic sperm injection; and 16 (6) artificial insemination. 17 (e) "Child" means an individual of any age whose parentage may be established under this Act. 18 (f) "Combined paternity index" means the likelihood of 19 20 paternity calculated by computing the ratio between: (1) the likelihood that the tested man is the father, 21 22 based on the genetic markers of the tested man, mother, and 23 child, conditioned on the hypothesis that the tested man is the father of the child; and 24 25 (2) the likelihood that the tested man is not the 26 father, based on the genetic markers of the tested man,

1 mother, and child, conditioned on the hypothesis that the 2 tested man is not the father of the child and that the 3 father is of the same ethnic or racial group as the tested 4 man.

5 (g) "Commence" means to file the initial pleading seeking 6 an adjudication of parentage in the circuit court of this 7 State.

8 (h) "Determination of parentage" means the establishment 9 of the parent-child relationship by the signing of a voluntary 10 acknowledgment under Article 3 of this Act or adjudication by 11 the court or as authorized under Article X of the Illinois 12 Public Aid Code.

(i) "Donor" means an individual who contributes a gamete or gametes used for assisted reproduction, whether or not for consideration. The term does not include:

(1) an intended parent who provides sperm, or an
 intended parent who provides eggs, to be used for assisted
 reproduction by the intended parent or parents;

19 (2) a woman who gives birth to a child by means of 20 assisted reproduction, except as otherwise provided in the 21 Gestational Surrogacy Act or a valid gestational surrogacy 22 contract; or

(3) a parent under Article 7 of this Act, or an
intended parent under the Gestational Surrogacy Act or a
valid gestational surrogacy contract.

26 (j) "Ethnic or racial group" means, for purposes of genetic

testing, a recognized group that an individual identifies as all or part of the individual's ancestry or that is so identified by other information.

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(k) "Gamete" means either a sperm or an egg.

5 (1) "Genetic testing" means an analysis of genetic markers 6 to exclude or identify a man as the father or a woman as the 7 mother of a child as provided in Article 4 of this Act.

8 (m) "Gestational mother" means an adult woman who gives 9 birth to a child pursuant to the terms of a valid gestational 10 surrogacy contract.

11 (n) "Parent" means an individual who has established a 12 parent-child relationship under Section 201 of this Act.

13 (o) "Parent-child relationship" means the legal14 relationship between a child and a parent of the child.

(p) "Presumed parent" means an individual who, by operation of law under Section 204 of this Act, is recognized as the parent of a child until that status is rebutted or confirmed in a judicial or administrative proceeding.

(q) "Probability of paternity" means the measure, for the ethnic or racial group to which the alleged father belongs, of the probability that the man in question is the father of the child, compared with a random, unrelated man of the same ethnic or racial group, expressed as a percentage incorporating the combined paternity index and a prior probability.

25 (r) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a 26 tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other

1 medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

2 (s) "Signatory" means an individual who authenticates a
3 record and is bound by its terms.

4 (t) "State" means a state of the United States, the 5 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin 6 Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the 7 jurisdiction of the United States.

8 (u) "Substantially similar legal relationship" means a 9 relationship recognized in this State under Section 60 of the 10 Religious Freedom Protection and Civil Union Act.

11 (v) "Support-enforcement agency" means a public official 12 or agency authorized to seek:

13 (1) enforcement of support orders or laws relating to14 the duty of support;

15 (2) establishment or modification of child support;

(3) determination of parentage; or

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17 (4) location of child-support obligors and their18 income and assets.

Section 104. Scope of Act; choice of law; other legal rights and duties preserved.

(a) This Act applies to determination of parentage in thisState.

(b) The court shall apply the law of this State to adjudicate the parent-child relationship. The applicable law does not depend on: HB1531 - 6 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

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(1) the place of birth of the child; or

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(2) the past or present residence of the child.

3 (c) This Act does not create, enlarge, abrogate, or 4 diminish parental rights or duties under other laws of this 5 State, including the common law.

6 Section 105. Authority to establish parentage. The circuit 7 courts are authorized to establish parentage under this Act. 8 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services may make 9 administrative determinations of paternity and nonpaternity in 10 accordance with Section 10-17.7 of the Illinois Public Aid 11 Code. Such administrative determinations shall have the full 12 force and effect of court judgments entered under this Act.

13 Section 106. Protection of participants. Proceedings under 14 this Act are subject to other law of this State governing the health, safety, privacy, and liberty of a child or other 15 individual could jeopardized by disclosure 16 who be of identifying information, including address, telephone number, 17 place of employment, social security number, and the child's 18 day-care facility and school. 19

20 Section 107. Applicability. Insofar as practicable, the 21 provisions of this Act applicable to the father and child 22 relationship shall apply to the mother and child relationship 23 including, but not limited to, the obligation to support.

ARTICLE 2. PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP 1 2 Section 201. Establishment of parent-child relationship. 3 (a) The parent-child relationship is established between a 4 woman and a child by: 5 (1) the woman having given birth to the child, except 6 as otherwise provided in a valid gestational surrogacy 7 contract: 8 (2) an adjudication of the woman's parentage; 9 (3) adoption of the child by the woman; 10 (4) having consented to the woman assisted 11 reproduction by a woman under Article 7 of this Act which resulted in the birth of the child; 12 13 (5) a valid gestational surrogacy contract under the 14 Gestational Surrogacy Act or other law; or 15 (6) an unrebutted presumption of the woman's parentage of the child under Section 204 of this Act. 16 17 (b) The parent-child relationship is established between a man and a child by: 18 (1) an unrebutted presumption of the man's parentage of 19 20 the child under Section 204 of this Act; 21 (2) an effective voluntary acknowledgment of paternity by the man under Article 3 of this Act, unless the 22 23 acknowledgment has been rescinded or successfully 24 challenged;

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(3) an adjudication of the man's parentage;

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(4) adoption of the child by the man;

3 (5) the man having consented to assisted reproduction
4 by a woman under Article 7 of this Act which resulted in
5 the birth of the child; or

6 (6) a valid gestational surrogacy contract under the 7 Gestational Surrogacy Act or other law.

8 (c) Insofar as practicable, the provisions of this Act 9 applicable to parent-child relationships shall apply equally 10 to men and women as parents, including, but not limited to, the 11 obligation to support.

Section 202. Parents' legal relationship. Every child has equal rights under the law regardless of the parents' legal relationship.

Section 203. Consequences of establishment of parentage. A parent-child relationship established under this Act applies for all purposes, except as otherwise specifically provided by other law of this State.

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Section 204. Presumption of parentage.

20 (a) A person is presumed to be the parent of a child if:

(1) the person and the mother of the child have entered
into a marriage, civil union, or substantially similar
legal relationship, and the child is born to the mother

during the marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal relationship, except as provided by a valid gestational surrogacy contract, Article 7 of this Act, or other law;

5 (2) the person and the mother of the child were in a marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal 6 relationship and the child is born to the mother within 300 7 8 days after the marriage, civil union, or substantially 9 similar legal relationship is terminated by death, 10 declaration of invalidity of marriage, judgment for 11 dissolution of marriage, civil union, or substantially 12 similar legal relationship, or after a judgment for legal separation, except as provided by a valid gestational 13 14 surrogacy contract, Article 7 of this Act, or other law;

15 (3) before the birth of the child, the person and the 16 mother of the child entered into a marriage, civil union, 17 or substantially similar legal relationship in apparent compliance with law, even if the attempted marriage, civil 18 19 union, or substantially similar legal relationship is or 20 could be declared invalid, and the child is born during the invalid marriage, civil union, or substantially similar 21 22 legal relationship or within 300 days after its termination 23 by death, declaration of invalidity of marriage, judgment 24 for dissolution of marriage, civil union, or substantially 25 similar legal relationship, or after a judgment for legal separation, except as provided by a valid gestational 26

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surrogacy contract, Article 7 of this Act, or other law; or

(4) after the child's birth, the person and the child's
mother have entered into a marriage, civil union, or
substantially similar legal relationship, even if the
marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal
relationship is or could be declared invalid, and the
person is named, with the person's written consent, as the
child's parent on the child's birth certificate.

9 (b) If 2 or more conflicting presumptions arise under this 10 Section, the presumption which on the facts is founded on the 11 weightier considerations of policy and logic, especially the 12 policy of promoting the child's best interests, controls.

Section 205. Proceedings to declare the non-existence of the parent-child relationship.

15 An action to declare the non-existence of the (a) 16 parent-child relationship may be brought by the child, the birth mother, or a person presumed to be a parent under Section 17 18 204 of this Act. Actions brought by the child, the birth mother, or a presumed parent shall be brought by verified 19 20 complaint, which shall be designated a petition. After a 21 presumption under Section 204 of this Act has been rebutted, 22 parentage of the child by another man or woman may be established in the same action, if he or she has been made a 23 24 party.

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(b) An action to declare the non-existence of the

parent-child relationship brought under subsection (a) of this 1 2 Section shall be barred if brought later than 2 years after the petitioner knew or should have known of the relevant facts. The 3 2-year period for bringing an action to declare the 4 5 non-existence of the parent-child relationship shall not. extend beyond the date on which the child reaches the age of 18 6 7 years. Failure to bring an action within 2 years shall not bar 8 any party from asserting a defense in any action to declare the 9 existence of the parent-child relationship.

10 (C)An action to declare the non-existence of the 11 parent-child relationship may be brought subsequent to an 12 adjudication of parentage in any judgment by the man 13 adjudicated to be the parent pursuant to a presumption in 14 paragraphs (a) (1) through (a) (4) of Section 204 if, as a result 15 of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing, it is discovered that 16 the man adjudicated to be the parent is not the father of the 17 child. Actions brought by the adjudicated father shall be brought by verified petition. If, as a result of 18 the deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing that is admissible under 19 Section 614 of this Act, the petitioner is determined not to be 20 the father of the child, the adjudication of paternity and any 21 22 orders regarding custody, parenting time, and future payments 23 of support may be vacated.

(d) An action to declare the non-existence of the
parent-child relationship brought under subsection (c) of this
Section shall be barred if brought more than 2 years after the

petitioner obtains actual knowledge of relevant facts. The 2-year period shall not apply to periods of time where the 3 birth mother or the child refuses to submit to deoxyribonucleic 4 acid (DNA) testing. The 2-year period for bringing an action to 5 declare the non-existence of the parent-child relationship 6 shall not extend beyond the date on which the child reaches the 7 age of 18 years.

8 Section 206. Presumption; burden of proof. A person 9 challenging a presumption under Section 204 of this Act may 10 rebut the presumption with clear and convincing evidence.

11 ARTICLE 3. VOLUNTARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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12 Section 301. Voluntary acknowledgment. A parent-child 13 relationship may be established voluntarily by the signing and 14 witnessing of a voluntary acknowledgment in accordance with 15 Section 12 of the Vital Records Act and Section 10-17.7 of the Illinois Public Aid Code. The voluntary acknowledgment shall 16 17 contain the last four digits of the social security numbers of the persons signing the voluntary acknowledgment; however, 18 19 failure to include the social security numbers of the persons 20 signing a voluntary acknowledgment does not invalidate the voluntary acknowledgment. 21

22 Section 302. Execution of voluntary acknowledgment.

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(a) A voluntary acknowledgment described in Section 301 of
 this Act must:

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(1) be in a record;

4 (2) be signed, or otherwise authenticated, under
5 penalty of perjury by the mother and by the man seeking to
6 establish his parentage;

7 (3) state that the child whose parentage is being 8 acknowledged:

9 (A) does not have a presumed parent, or has a 10 presumed parent whose full name is stated; and

(B) does not have another acknowledged or
 adjudicated parent;

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(4) be witnessed; and

(5) state that the signatories understand that the 14 15 acknowledgment is the equivalent of а iudicial 16 adjudication of parentage of the child and that a challenge 17 to the acknowledgment is permitted only under limited circumstances and is barred after 2 years. 18

19 (b) An acknowledgment is void if it:

(1) states that another person is a presumed parent,
unless a denial signed or otherwise authenticated by the
presumed parent is filed with the Department of Healthcare
and Family Services, as provided by law;

24 (2) states that another person is an acknowledged or25 adjudicated parent; or

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(3) falsely denies the existence of a presumed,

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acknowledged, or adjudicated parent of the child.

2 (c) A presumed father may sign or otherwise authenticate an3 acknowledgment.

Section 303. Denial of parentage. A presumed parent may
sign a denial of parentage. The denial is valid only if:

(a) a voluntary acknowledgment described in Section 301 of
this Act signed, or otherwise authenticated, by a man is filed
pursuant to Section 305 of this Act;

9 (b) the denial is in a record, and is signed, or otherwise 10 authenticated, under penalty of perjury; and

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(c) the presumed parent has not previously:

(1) acknowledged his parentage, unless the previous
acknowledgment has been rescinded under Section 307 of this
Act or successfully challenged under Section 308 of this
Act; or

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(2) been adjudicated to be the parent of the child.

Section 304. Rules for acknowledgment and denial of parentage.

(a) An acknowledgment as described in Section 301 of this Act and a denial may be contained in a single document or may be signed in counterparts, and may be filed separately or simultaneously. If the acknowledgment and denial are both necessary, neither is valid until both are filed.

24 (b) An acknowledgment or a denial may be signed before the

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1 birth of the child.

(c) Subject to subsection (a), an acknowledgment or denial
takes effect on the birth of the child or the filing of the
document with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services,
as provided by law, whichever occurs later.

6 (d) An acknowledgment or denial signed by a minor is valid
7 if it is otherwise in compliance with this Act.

8 Section 305. Effect of acknowledgment or denial of 9 parentage.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in Sections 307 and 308 of this Act, a valid acknowledgment filed with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, as provided by law, is equivalent to an adjudication of the parentage of a child and confers upon the acknowledged father all of the rights and duties of a parent.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, parentage established in accordance with Section 301 of this Act has the full force and effect of a judgment entered under this Act and serves as a basis for seeking a child support order without any further proceedings to establish parentage.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in Sections 307 and 308 of this Act, a valid denial by a presumed parent filed with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, as provided by law, in conjunction with a voluntary acknowledgment, is equivalent to an adjudication of the nonparentage of the

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3 Section 306. No filing fee. The Department of Healthcare 4 and Family Services, as provided by law, may not charge a fee 5 for filing a voluntary acknowledgment or denial.

6 Section 307. Proceeding for rescission. A signatory may 7 rescind a voluntary acknowledgment or denial by filing a signed 8 and witnessed rescission with the Department of Healthcare and 9 Family Services as provided in Section 12 of the Vital Records 10 Act, before the earlier of:

(a) 60 days after the effective date of the acknowledgment
or denial, as provided in Section 304 of this Act; or

(b) the date of a judicial or administrative proceeding relating to the child (including a proceeding to establish a support order) in which the signatory is a party.

16 Section 308. Challenge after expiration of period for rescission. After the period for rescission under Section 307 17 18 of this Act has expired, a signatory of a voluntary 19 acknowledgment or denial may commence a proceeding to challenge 20 the acknowledgment or denial only as provided in Section 309 of 21 this Act.

22 Section 309. Procedure for challenge.

(a) A voluntary acknowledgment and any related denial may 1 2 be challenged only on the basis of fraud, duress, or material mistake of fact by filing a verified petition under this 3 Section within 2 years after the effective date of 4 the 5 acknowledgment or denial, as provided in Section 304 of this 6 Act. Time during which the person challenging the 7 acknowledgment or denial is under legal disability or duress or the ground for relief is fraudulently concealed shall be 8 9 excluded in computing the period of 2 years.

10 (b) The verified complaint, which shall be designated a 11 petition, shall be filed in the county where a proceeding 12 relating to the child was brought, such as a support proceeding or, if none exists, in the county where the child resides. 13 Every signatory to the voluntary acknowledgment and any related 14 15 denial must be made a party to a proceeding to challenge the 16 acknowledgment or denial. The party challenging the 17 acknowledgment or denial shall have the burden of proof. The burden of proof to challenge a voluntary acknowledgment is 18 19 clear and convincing evidence.

(c) For the purpose of a challenge to an acknowledgment or denial, a signatory submits to personal jurisdiction of this State by signing the acknowledgment and any related denial, effective upon the filing of the acknowledgment and any related denial with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, as provided in Section 12 of the Vital Records Act.

26 (d) Except for good cause shown, during the pendency of a

proceeding to challenge an acknowledgment or denial, the court may not suspend the legal responsibilities of a signatory arising from the acknowledgment, including the duty to pay child support.

5 (e) At the conclusion of a proceeding to challenge an 6 acknowledgment or denial, the court shall order the Department 7 of Public Health to amend the birth record of the child, if 8 appropriate. A copy of an order entered at the conclusion of a 9 proceeding to challenge shall be provided to the Department of 10 Healthcare and Family Services.

11 Section 310. Ratification barred. Α court or 12 administrative agency conducting a judicial or administrative 13 proceeding is not required or permitted to ratify an 14 unchallenged acknowledgment described in Section 301 of this 15 Act.

Section 311. Full faith and credit. A court of this State shall give full faith and credit to a valid acknowledgment or denial of parentage effective in another state if the acknowledgment or denial has been signed and is otherwise in compliance with the law of the other state.

21 Section 312. Forms for acknowledgment and denial of 22 parentage.

23 (a) To facilitate compliance with this Article, the

Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall prescribe forms for the acknowledgment and the denial of parentage and for the rescission of acknowledgment or denial consistent with Section 307 of this Act.

5 (b) A voluntary acknowledgment or denial of parentage is6 not affected by a later modification of the prescribed form.

7 Section 313. Release of information. The Department of 8 Healthcare and Family Services may release information 9 relating to the acknowledgment described in Section 301 of this 10 Act, or the related denial, to a signatory of the 11 acknowledgment or denial; to the child's guardian, the 12 emancipated child, or the legal representatives of those 13 individuals; to appropriate federal agencies; and to courts and 14 appropriate agencies of this State or another state.

Section 314. Adoption of rules. The Department of Public Health and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may adopt rules to implement this Article.

18 ARTICLE 4. GENETIC TESTING

19 Section 401. Proceeding authorized. As soon as 20 practicable, a court or an administrative hearing officer in an 21 Expedited Child Support System may, and upon the request of a 22 party except as provided in Section 610 of this Act, or of the

1 child, shall order or direct the mother, child, and alleged 2 father to submit to deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing to 3 determine inherited characteristics. If any party refuses to 4 submit to genetic testing, the court may resolve the question 5 of paternity against that party or enforce its order if the 6 rights of others and the interests of justice so require.

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Section 402. Requirements for genetic testing.

8 (a) The genetic testing shall be conducted by an expert 9 qualified as an examiner of blood or tissue types and appointed 10 by the court. The expert shall determine the genetic testing 11 procedures. However, any interested party, for good cause 12 shown, in advance of the scheduled genetic testing, may request 13 a hearing to object to the qualifications of the expert or the 14 genetic testing procedures. The expert appointed by the court 15 shall testify at the pre-test hearing at the expense of the 16 party requesting the hearing, except for an indigent party as provided in Section 405 of this Act. An expert not appointed by 17 18 the court shall testify at the pre-test hearing at the expense of the party retaining the expert. Inquiry into an expert's 19 20 qualifications at the pre-test hearing shall not affect either 21 party's right to have the expert qualified at trial.

(b) Genetic testing must be of a type reasonably relied upon by experts in the field of genetic testing and performed in a testing laboratory accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks or a successor to its functions.

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(c) A specimen used in genetic testing may consist of one
 or more samples, or a combination of samples, of blood, buccal
 cells, bone, hair, or other body tissue or fluid.

4 (d) The testing laboratory shall determine the databases 5 from which to select frequencies for use in calculation of the 6 probability of paternity based on the ethnic or racial group of 7 an individual or individuals. If there is disagreement as to 8 the testing laboratory's choice, the following rules apply:

9 (1) The individual objecting may require the testing 10 laboratory, within 30 days after receipt of the report of 11 the genetic testing, to recalculate the probability of 12 paternity using an ethnic or racial group different from 13 that used by the laboratory.

14 (2) The individual objecting to the testing15 laboratory's initial choice shall:

16 (A) if the frequencies are not available to the
17 testing laboratory for the ethnic or racial group
18 requested, provide the requested frequencies compiled
19 in a manner recognized by accrediting bodies; or

20 (B) engage another testing laboratory to perform21 the calculations.

(e) If, after recalculation using a different ethnic or
racial group, genetic testing does not reputably identify a man
as the father of a child, an individual who has been tested may
be required to submit to additional genetic testing.

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Section 403. Genetic test results.

2 The expert shall prepare a written report of the (a) genetic test results. If the genetic test results show that the 3 alleged father is not excluded, the report shall contain 4 5 statistics based upon the statistical formula of combined paternity index (CPI) and the probability of paternity as 6 7 determined by the probability of exclusion (Random Man Not 8 Excluded = RMNE). The expert may be called by the court as a 9 witness to testify to his or her findings and, if called, shall 10 be subject to cross-examination by the parties. If the genetic 11 test results show that the alleged father is not excluded, any 12 party may demand that other experts, qualified as examiners of 13 blood or tissue types, perform independent genetic testing under order of court, including, but not limited to, blood 14 15 types or other testing of genetic markers. The results of the 16 genetic testing may be offered into evidence. The number and 17 qualifications of the experts shall be determined by the court.

(b) Documentation of the chain of custody of the blood or tissue samples, accompanied by an affidavit or certification in accordance with Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, is competent evidence to establish the chain of custody.

(c) The report of the genetic test results prepared by the appointed expert shall be made by affidavit or by certification as provided in Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure and shall be mailed to all parties. A proof of service shall be filed with the court. The verified report shall be admitted

into evidence at trial without foundation testimony or other 1 2 proof of authenticity or accuracy, unless a written motion 3 challenging the admissibility of the report is filed by either party within 28 days of receipt of the report, in which case 4 5 expert testimony shall be required. A party may not file such a motion challenging the admissibility of the report later than 6 7 28 days before commencement of trial. Before trial, the court shall determine whether the motion is sufficient to deny 8 9 admission of the report by verification. Failure to make that 10 timely motion constitutes a waiver of the right to object to 11 admission by verification and shall not be grounds for a 12 continuance of the hearing to establish paternity.

Section 404. Effect of genetic testing. Genetic testing taken under this Article shall have the following effect:

(a) If the court finds that the conclusion of the expert or experts, as disclosed by the evidence based upon the genetic testing, is that the alleged father is not the parent of the child, the question of paternity shall be resolved accordingly.

19 (b) If the experts disagree in their findings or 20 conclusions, the question shall be weighed with other competent 21 evidence of paternity.

(c) If the genetic testing results indicate that the alleged father is not excluded and that the combined paternity index is at least 1,000 to 1, and there is at least a 99.9% probability of paternity, the alleged father is presumed to be

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1 the father, and this evidence shall be admitted.

2 (d) A man identified under subsection (c) of this Section 3 as the father of the child may rebut the genetic testing 4 results by other genetic testing satisfying the requirements of 5 this Article which:

6 (1) excludes the man as a genetic father of the child; 7 or

8 (2) identifies another man as the possible father of 9 the child.

10 (e) Except as otherwise provided in this Article, if more 11 than one man is identified by genetic testing as the possible 12 father of the child, the court shall order them to submit to 13 further genetic testing to identify the genetic father.

Section 405. Cost of genetic testing. The expense of the 14 15 genetic testing shall be paid by the party who requests the 16 genetic testing, except that the court may apportion the costs between the parties, upon request. When the genetic testing is 17 18 requested by the party seeking to establish paternity and that 19 party is found to be indigent by the court, the expense shall 20 be paid by the public agency providing representation; except 21 that where a public agency is not providing representation, the 22 expense shall be paid by the county in which the action is brought. When the genetic testing is ordered by the court on 23 24 its own motion or is requested by the alleged or presumed 25 father and that father is found to be indigent by the court,

the expense shall be paid by the county in which the action is brought. Any part of the expense may be taxed as costs in the action, except that no costs may be taxed against a public agency that has not requested the genetic testing.

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5 Section 406. Compensation of expert. The compensation of 6 each expert witness appointed by the court shall be paid as 7 provided in Section 405 of this Act. Any part of the payment 8 may be taxed as costs in the action, except that no costs may 9 be taxed against a public agency that has not requested the 10 services of the expert witness.

11 Section 407. Independent genetic testing. Nothing in this Article shall prevent a party from obtaining genetic testing of 12 13 his or her own blood or tissue independent of those ordered by 14 the court or from presenting expert testimony interpreting 15 those tests or any other blood tests ordered under this Article. Reports of all the independent tests, accompanied by 16 17 affidavit or certification pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and notice of any expert witnesses to 18 be called to testify to the results of those tests shall be 19 20 submitted to all parties at least 30 days before any hearing 21 set to determine the issue of parentage.

22 Section 408. Additional persons to be tested.

23 (a) Subject to subsection (b), if a genetic-testing

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specimen is not available from a man who may be the father of a child, for good cause and under circumstances the court considers to be just, the court may order the following individuals to submit specimens for genetic testing:

the parents of the man;

- (2) brothers and sisters of the man;
- 7 (3) other children of the man and their mothers; and

8 (4) other relatives of the man necessary to complete 9 genetic testing.

10 (b) Issuance of an order under this Section requires a 11 finding that a need for genetic testing outweighs the 12 legitimate interests of the individual sought to be tested, and 13 in no event shall an order be issued until the individual is 14 joined as a party and given notice as required under the Code 15 of Civil Procedure.

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ARTICLE 5. TEMPORARY RELIEF

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Section 501. Temporary orders.

(a) On a motion by a party and a showing of clear and
convincing evidence of parentage, the court shall issue a
temporary order for support of a child if the order is
appropriate and the individual ordered to pay support is:

22 (1) a presumed parent of the child;

23 (2) petitioning to have parentage adjudicated;

24 (3) identified as the father through genetic testing

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under Article 4 of this Act; 1

2 (4) an alleged father who has declined to submit to 3 genetic testing;

(5) shown by clear and convincing evidence to be the 4 5 child's father:

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(6) the mother of the child; or

(7) anyone else determined to be the child's parent.

8 In determining the amount of a temporary child support 9 award, the court shall use the quidelines and standards set 10 forth in Sections 505 and 505.2 of the Illinois Marriage and 11 Dissolution of Marriage Act.

12 (b) A temporary order may include provisions for custody 13 and parenting time as provided by the Illinois Marriage and 14 Dissolution of Marriage Act.

(c) Temporary orders issued under this Section shall not 15 16 have prejudicial effect with respect to final support, custody, 17 or parenting time orders.

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Section 502. Injunctive relief.

19 (a) In any action brought under this Act for the initial 20 determination of parentage, custody or parenting time of a 21 child, or for modification of a prior custody or parenting time 22 order, the court, upon application of a party, may enjoin a party having physical possession or custody of a child from 23 24 temporarily removing the child from this State pending the 25 adjudication of the issues of parentage, custody, and parenting

time. When deciding whether to enjoin removal of a child, or to 1 2 order a party to return the child to this State, the court shall consider factors including, but not limited to: 3

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(1) the extent of previous involvement with the child 5 by the party seeking to enjoin removal or to have the absent party return the child to this State; 6

7 (2) the likelihood that parentage will be established; 8 and

9 impact on the financial, physical, (3) the and 10 emotional health of the party being enjoined from removing 11 the child or the party being ordered to return the child to 12 this State.

13 temporary restraining order А or preliminary (b) 14 injunction under this Act shall be governed by the relevant 15 provisions of Part 1 of Article XI of the Code of Civil 16 Procedure.

17 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section, the court may decline to enjoin a domestic 18 19 violence victim having physical possession or custody of a child from temporarily or permanently removing the child from 20 this State pending the adjudication of issues of custody or 21 22 parenting time. In determining whether a person is a domestic 23 violence victim, the court shall consider the following 24 factors:

25 (1) a sworn statement by the person that the person has 26 good reason to believe that he or she is the victim of

1 domestic violence or stalking;

2 (2) a sworn statement that the person fears for his or 3 her safety or the safety of his or her children;

(3) evidence from police, court, or other government 4 agency records or files; 5

(4) documentation from a domestic violence program if the person is alleged to be a victim of domestic violence; 7

8 (5) documentation from a legal, clerical, medical, or 9 other professional from whom the person has sought 10 assistance in dealing with the alleged domestic violence; 11 and

12 any other evidence that supports the (6) sworn statements, such as a statement from any other individual 13 14 with knowledge of the circumstances that provides the basis 15 for the claim, or physical evidence of the domestic 16 violence.

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ARTICLE 6. PROCEEDING TO ADJUDICATE PARENTAGE

18 Section 601. Proceeding authorized. A civil proceeding may 19 be maintained to adjudicate the parentage of a child. The 20 proceeding is governed by the Code of Civil Procedure and 21 Illinois Supreme Court Rules. Administrative proceedings adjudicating paternity shall be governed by Section 10-17.7 of 22 23 the Illinois Public Aid Code.

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Section 602. Standing. A complaint to adjudicate parentage shall be verified, shall be designated a petition, and shall name the person or persons alleged to be the parent of the child. Subject to Article 3 and Sections 607, 608, and 609 of this Act, a proceeding to adjudicate parentage may be maintained by:

7 (a) the child;

8 (b) the mother of the child;

9 (c) a pregnant woman;

10 (d) a man presumed or alleging himself to be the parent of 11 the child;

12 (e) a woman presumed or alleging herself to be the parent13 of the child;

14 (f) the support-enforcement agency or other governmental 15 agency authorized by other law;

16 (g) any person or public agency that has custody of, is 17 providing financial support to, or has provided financial 18 support to the child;

(h) the Department of Healthcare and Family Services if it
is providing, or has provided, financial support to the child
or if it is assisting with child support collections services;

22 (i) an authorized adoption agency or licensed 23 child-placing agency;

(j) a representative authorized by law to act for an
individual who would otherwise be entitled to maintain a
proceeding but who is deceased, incapacitated, or a minor;

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(k) an intended parent pursuant to the terms of a valid
 gestational surrogacy contract; or

3 (1) an individual who has consented or has allegedly 4 consented to assisted reproduction pursuant to Article 7 of 5 this Act.

6 Section 603. Subject matter and personal jurisdiction.

7 (a) The circuit courts of this State shall have 8 jurisdiction of an action brought under this Act. In a civil 9 action not brought under this Act, the provisions of this Act 10 shall apply if parentage is at issue. The court may join any 11 action under this Act with any other civil action in which this 12 Act is applicable.

13 (b) An individual may not be adjudicated to be a parent 14 unless the court has personal jurisdiction over the individual.

(c) A court of this State having jurisdiction to adjudicate parentage may exercise personal jurisdiction over a nonresident individual, or the guardian or conservator of the individual, if the conditions prescribed in Section 201 of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act are fulfilled.

20 (d) Lack of jurisdiction over one individual does not 21 preclude the court from making an adjudication of parentage 22 binding on another individual over whom the court has personal 23 jurisdiction.

24 Section 604. Venue.

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1 (a) Venue for a proceeding to adjudicate parentage is any 2 county of this State in which a party resides, or if the 3 presumed or alleged father is deceased, in which a proceeding 4 for probate or administration of the presumed or alleged 5 father's estate has been commenced, or could be commenced.

6 (b) A child custody proceeding is commenced in the county7 where the child resides.

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Section 605. Notice to presumed parent.

9 (a) In any action brought under Article 3 or Article 6 of 10 this Act where the individual signing the petition for an order 11 establishing the existence of the parent-child relationship by 12 consent or the individual alleged to be the parent in a 13 petition is different from an individual who is presumed to be 14 parent of the child under Article 2 of this Act, a notice shall 15 be served on the presumed parent in the same manner as 16 summonses are served in other civil proceedings or, in lieu of personal service, service may be made as follows: 17

(1) The person requesting notice shall pay to the clerk
of the circuit court a mailing fee of \$1.50 and furnish to
the clerk of the circuit court an original and one copy of
a notice together with an affidavit setting forth the
presumed parent's last known address. The original notice
shall be retained by the clerk of the circuit court.

24 (2) The clerk of the circuit court shall promptly mail
25 to the presumed parent, at the address appearing in the

1 affidavit, the copy of the notice by certified mail, return 2 receipt requested. The envelope and return receipt shall 3 bear the return address of the clerk of the circuit court. 4 The receipt for certified mail shall state the name and 5 address of the addressee and the date of mailing and shall 6 be attached to the original notice.

7 (3) The return receipt, when returned to the clerk of
8 the circuit court, shall be attached to the original notice
9 and shall constitute proof of service.

10 (4) The clerk of the circuit court shall note the fact11 of service in a permanent record.

12 (b) The notice shall read as follows:

13 "IN THE MATTER OF NOTICE TO PRESUMED PARENT.

14 You have been identified as the presumed parent of 15, born on The birth parent of the child is 16

An action is being brought to establish the parent-child relationship between the named child and a parent named by the person filing this action,

As the presumed parent, you have certain legal rights with respect to the named child, including the right to notice of the filing of proceedings instituted for the establishment of parentage of the named child and, if named as a parent in a petition to establish parentage, the right to submit to, along with the birth parent and child, deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) tests to determine inherited characteristics, subject to

Section 610 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. If you wish 1 2 to assert your rights with respect to the child named in this notice, you must file with the Clerk of this Circuit Court of 3 County, Illinois, whose address is, within 4 5 30 days after the date of receipt of this notice, a declaration of parentage stating that you are, in fact, the parent of the 6 7 named child and that you intend to assert your legal rights with respect to the child, or that you request to be notified 8 9 of any further proceedings with respect to the parentage of the 10 child.

If you do not file a declaration of parentage or a request for notice, then whatever legal rights you have with respect to the named child, including the right to notice of any future proceedings for the establishment of parentage of the child, may be terminated without any further notice to you. When your legal rights with respect to the named child are terminated, you will not be entitled to notice of any future proceedings.".

(c) The notice to a presumed parent under this Section in any action brought by a public agency shall be prepared and mailed by the public agency, and the mailing fee to the clerk of the circuit court shall be waived.

22 Section 606. Summons. The summons that is served on a 23 respondent shall include the return date on or by which the 24 respondent must appear and shall contain the following 25 information, in a prominent place and in conspicuous language,

1 in addition to the information required to be provided under 2 the laws of this State: "If you do not appear as instructed in 3 this summons, you may be required to support the child named in 4 this petition until the child is at least 18 years old. You may 5 also have to pay the pregnancy and delivery costs of the 6 mother.".

Section 607. No limitation; child having no presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent. A proceeding to adjudicate the parentage of a child having no presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent may be commenced at any time, even after:

12 (a) the child becomes an adult, but only if the child13 initiates the proceeding; or

(b) an earlier proceeding to adjudicate parentage has been dismissed based on the application of a statute of limitations then in effect.

17 Section 608. Limitation; child having presumed parent.

(a) An alleged father, as that term is defined in Section
103 of this Act, must commence an action to establish a
parent-child relationship for a child having a presumed parent
not later than 2 years after the petitioner knew or should have
known of the relevant facts. The time the petitioner is under
legal disability or duress or the ground for relief is
fraudulently concealed shall be excluded in computing the

1 period of 2 years.

2 (b) A proceeding seeking to declare the non-existence of the parent-child relationship between a child and the child's 3 presumed father may be maintained at any time by a person 4 5 described in paragraphs (1) through (4) of subsection (a) of 6 Section 204 of this Act if the court determines that the 7 presumed father and the mother of the child neither cohabited 8 nor engaged in sexual intercourse with each other during the 9 probable time of conception.

Section 609. Limitation; child having acknowledged or adjudicated parent.

(a) If a child has an acknowledged parent, a signatory to the acknowledgment described in Section 301 of this Act or related denial may commence a proceeding seeking to challenge the acknowledgment or denial or challenge the paternity of the child only within the time allowed under Section 309 of this Act.

(b) If a child has an acknowledged parent or an adjudicated parent, an individual, other than the child, who is neither a signatory to the acknowledgment nor a party to the adjudication and who seeks an adjudication of parentage of the child must commence a proceeding not later than 2 years after the effective date of the acknowledgment or adjudication.

(c) A proceeding under this Section is subject to theapplication of the principles of estoppel established in

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1 Section 610 of this Act.

Section 610. Authority to deny motion for genetic testing. (a) In a proceeding to adjudicate the parentage of a child having a presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent, the court may deny a motion by a parent, presumed parent, acknowledged parent, adjudicated parent, or alleged parent seeking an order for genetic testing of the parents and child if the court determines that:

9 (1) the conduct of the parent, acknowledged parent, 10 adjudicated parent, or the presumed parent estops that 11 party from denying parentage;

12 (2) it would be inequitable to disprove the 13 parent-child relationship between the child and the 14 presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent; and

(3) it is in the child's best interests to deny genetic
testing, taking into account the following factors:

(A) the length of time between the current
proceeding to adjudicate parentage and the time that
the presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent was
placed on notice that he or she might not be the
biological parent;

(B) the length of time during which the presumed,
acknowledged, or adjudicated parent has assumed the
role of parent of the child;

25 (C) the facts surrounding the presumed,

acknowledged, or adjudicated parent's discovery of his or her possible nonparentage;

3 (D) the nature of the relationship between the 4 child and the presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated 5 parent;

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(E) the age of the child;

7 (F) the harm that may result to the child if the
8 presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parentage is
9 successfully disproved;

10 (G) the nature of the relationship between the11 child and any alleged parent;

12 (H) the extent to which the passage of time reduces 13 the chances of establishing the parentage of another 14 person and a child support obligation in favor of the 15 child;

16 (I) other factors that may affect the equities 17 arising from the disruption of the parent-child 18 relationship between the child and the presumed, 19 acknowledged, or adjudicated parent or the chance of 20 other harm to the child; and

21 (J) any other factors the court determines to be 22 equitable.

(b) In a proceeding involving the application of this Section, a minor or incapacitated child must be represented by a guardian ad litem, child's representative, or attorney for the child. 1 (c) If the court denies a motion seeking an order for 2 genetic testing, it shall issue an order adjudicating the 3 presumed parent to be the parent of the child.

4 Section 611. Joinder of proceedings.

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), a 6 proceeding to adjudicate parentage may be joined with a 7 proceeding for adoption, termination of parental rights, child 8 custody or parenting time, child support, dissolution of 9 marriage or civil union, declaration of invalidity of marriage 10 or civil union, legal separation, probate or administration of 11 an estate, or other appropriate proceeding.

(b) A respondent may not join a proceeding described in
subsection (a) with a proceeding to adjudicate parentage
brought under the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.

15 Section 612. Proceeding before birth. A proceeding to 16 establish parentage may be commenced before the birth of the 17 child, but may not be concluded until after the birth of the 18 child. The following actions may be taken before the birth of 19 the child:

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(a) service of process;

(b) the taking of depositions to perpetuate testimony; and
(c) except as prohibited by Article 4 of this Act,
collection of specimens for genetic testing.

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Section 613. Child as party; representation.

2 (a) A minor child is a permissible party, but is not a
3 necessary party to a proceeding under this Article.

4 (b) The court shall appoint a guardian ad litem, child's 5 representative, or attorney for the child to represent a minor 6 or incapacitated child if the child is a party or the court 7 finds that the interests of the child are not adequately 8 represented.

9 Section 614. Admissibility of results of genetic testing;10 expenses.

(a) If a child has a presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent, the results of genetic testing are inadmissible to adjudicate parentage unless performed:

14 (1) with the consent of both the mother and the15 presumed, acknowledged, or adjudicated parent; or

16 (2) pursuant to an order of the court under Section 40217 of this Act.

(b) Copies of bills for genetic testing and for prenatal and postnatal health care for the mother and child which are furnished to the adverse party not less than 10 days before the date of a hearing are admissible to establish:

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(1) the amount of the charges billed; and

23 (2) that the charges were reasonable, necessary, and24 customary.

25 (c) Certified copies of the bills for costs incurred for

1 pregnancy and childbirth shall be admitted into evidence at 2 judicial or administrative proceedings without foundation 3 testimony or other proof of authenticity or accuracy.

Section 615. Consequences of declining genetic testing.

5 (a) An order for genetic testing is enforceable through a
6 proceeding for adjudication of contempt.

7 (b) If an individual whose parentage is being determined 8 declines to submit to genetic testing ordered by the court or 9 administrative agency, the court or administrative agency may 10 adjudicate parentage contrary to the position of that 11 individual.

12 (c) Genetic testing of the mother of a child is not a 13 condition precedent to genetically testing the child and a man 14 whose paternity is being determined. If the mother is 15 unavailable or declines to submit to genetic testing, the court 16 or administrative agency may order the genetic testing of the 17 child and every man whose paternity is being adjudicated.

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Section 616. Admission of parentage authorized.

(a) A respondent in a proceeding to adjudicate parentage may admit to the parentage of a child by filing a pleading to that effect or by admitting parentage under penalty of perjury when making an appearance or during a hearing.

(b) If the court finds that the admission of parentagesatisfies the requirements of this Section and finds that there

1 is no reason to question the admission, the court shall enter 2 an order adjudicating the child to be the child of the person 3 admitting parentage.

Section 617. Rules for adjudication of parentage. The court
shall apply the following rules to adjudicate the parentage of
a child:

7 (a) The parentage of a child having an adjudicated parent
8 may be disproved only by admissible results of genetic testing,
9 or other means, excluding that person as the parent of the
10 child or identifying another person as the parent of the child.

11 (b) Unless the results of the genetic testing or other 12 evidence are admitted to rebut other results of genetic 13 testing, a person identified as the parent of a child under 14 Section 404 of this Act may be adjudicated the parent of the 15 child.

(c) If the court finds that genetic testing under Section 404 neither identifies nor excludes a person as the parent of a child, the court may not dismiss the proceeding. In that event, the results of genetic testing and other evidence are admissible to adjudicate the issue of parentage.

(d) Unless the results of genetic testing are admitted to rebut other results of genetic testing, a person excluded as the parent of a child by genetic testing may be adjudicated not to be the parent of the child.

Section 618. Pre-trial proceedings. As soon as practicable after an action to declare the existence or non-existence of the parent-child relationship has been brought, and the parties are at issue, the court may conduct a pre-trial conference.

5 Section 619. Jury prohibited. Trial by jury is not 6 available under this Act.

Section 620. Order on default. The court may issue an order adjudicating the parentage of a person who is in default after service of process.

10 Section 621. Binding effect of determination of parentage.

11 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this12 Section, a determination of parentage is binding on:

(1) all signatories to an acknowledgment or denial as
 provided in Article 3 of this Act; and

(2) all parties to an adjudication by a court acting
under circumstances that satisfy the jurisdictional
requirements of Section 201 of the Uniform Interstate
Family Support Act.

(b) A child is not bound by a determination of parentageunder this Act unless:

(1) the determination was based on an unrescinded
 acknowledgment as provided in Article 3 of this Act and the
 acknowledgment is consistent with the results of genetic

1 testing;

2 (2) the adjudication of parentage was based on a 3 finding consistent with the results of genetic testing and 4 the consistency is declared in the determination or is 5 otherwise shown;

6 (3) the child was a party or was represented in the
7 proceeding determining parentage by a guardian ad litem,
8 child's representative or attorney for the child.

9 (4) the child was no longer a minor at the time the 10 proceeding was initiated and was the moving party resulting 11 in the parentage determination.

12 (c) In a proceeding for dissolution of marriage, civil substantially similar legal relationship, 13 union, or 14 declaration of invalidity of marriage, civil union, or 15 substantially similar legal relationship, or legal separation, 16 the court is deemed to have made an adjudication of the 17 parentage of a child if the court acts under circumstances that satisfy the jurisdictional requirements of Section 201 of the 18 19 Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, and the final order:

(1) expressly identifies a child as a "child of the marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal relationship", "issue of the marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal relationship", or uses similar words indicating that a party to the marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal relationship is the parent of the child; or

1 (2) provides for support of the child by the parties to 2 the marriage, civil union, or substantially similar legal 3 relationship, unless parentage is specifically disclaimed 4 in the order.

5 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this 6 Section, a determination of parentage may be a defense in a 7 subsequent proceeding seeking to adjudicate parentage by an 8 individual who was not a party to the earlier proceeding.

9 (e) A party to an adjudication of parentage may challenge 10 the adjudication only under the laws of this State relating to 11 appeal, vacation of judgments, or other judicial review.

Section 622. Custody or visitation prohibited to men who father through sexual assault or sexual abuse.

14 (a) This Section applies to a person who has been found to15 be the father of a child under this Act and who:

16 (1) has been convicted of or who has pled guilty or nolo contendere to a violation of Section 11-1.20 (criminal 17 18 sexual assault), Section 11-1.30 (aggravated criminal 19 sexual assault), Section 11-1.40 (predatory criminal sexual assault of a child), Section 11-1.50 (criminal 20 21 sexual abuse), Section 11-1.60 (appravated criminal sexual 22 abuse), Section 11-11 (sexual relations within families), Section 12-13 (criminal sexual assault), Section 12-14 23 24 (aggravated criminal sexual assault), Section 12-14.1 25 (predatory criminal sexual assault of a child), Section

1 12-15 (criminal sexual abuse), or Section 12-16 2 (aggravated criminal sexual abuse) of the Criminal Code of 3 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar statute in 4 another jurisdiction, for his conduct in fathering that 5 child; or

6 (2) at a fact-finding hearing, is found by clear and 7 convincing evidence to have committed an act of 8 non-consensual sexual penetration for his conduct in 9 fathering that child.

10 (b) A person described in subsection (a) shall not be 11 entitled to custody of or visitation with that child without 12 the consent of the child's mother or guardian. If the person described in subsection (a) is also the guardian of the child, 13 14 he does not have the authority to consent to visitation or 15 custody under this Section. If the mother of the child is a 16 minor, and the person described in subsection (a) is also the 17 father or quardian of the mother, then he does not have the authority to consent to custody or visits. 18

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, nothing in this Section shall be construed to relieve the father described in subsection (a) of any support and maintenance obligations to the child under this Act. The child's mother or guardian may decline support and maintenance obligations from the father.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the father
described in subsection (a) of this Section is not entitled to

1 any inheritance or other rights from the child without the 2 consent of the child's mother or guardian.

3 (e) Notwithstanding any provision of the Illinois Marriage 4 and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the parent, grandparent, 5 great-grandparent, or sibling of the person described in 6 subsection (a) of this Section does not have standing to bring 7 an action requesting custody or visitation with the child 8 without the consent of the child's mother or guardian.

9 (f) A petition under this Section may be filed by the 10 child's mother or guardian either as an affirmative petition in 11 circuit court or as an affirmative defense in any proceeding 12 filed by the person described in subsection (a) of this Section 13 regarding the child.

14 ARTICLE 7. CHILD OF ASSISTED REPRODUCTION

15 Section 701. Scope of Article. This Article does not apply 16 to the birth of a child conceived by means of sexual 17 intercourse or as a result of a valid gestational surrogacy 18 contract under the Gestational Surrogacy Act or other law.

Section 702. Parental status of donor. Except as provided in this Act, a donor is not a parent of a child conceived by means of assisted reproduction.

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Section 703. Parentage of a child of assisted reproduction.

A person who provides gametes for, or consents to, assisted reproduction by a woman as provided in Section 704 of this Act with the intent to be the parent of her child is a parent of the resulting child.

5 Section 704. Consent to assisted reproduction.

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6 (a) Consent by an individual who intends to be a parent of 7 a child born to a woman must be in a writing signed by the woman 8 and the individual consenting to be the parent. A writing 9 includes a certificate of birth naming both intended parents or 10 a written ratification of a prior oral agreement to assisted 11 reproduction.

(b) Failure to establish the consent required by subsection
(a) of this Section, before or after the birth of the child,
does not preclude a presumption under Section 204 of this Act.

15 (c) In order to be valid, both parties signing a consent 16 under this Section must be at least 18 years of age at the time 17 the writing is executed.

18 (d) A consent may not be entered that would result in the 19 birth of a child created by sperm and eggs of parties who are 20 blood relatives of the first degree.

21 Section 705. Effect of petition or withdrawal of consent.

(a) If a petition for legal separation or for the
dissolution or declaration of invalidity of a marriage, civil
union, or substantially similar legal relationship is filed and

properly served or notice is given of the filing of the 1 2 petition to the other party before implantation of existing 3 gametes or an embryo or embryos, then consent to assisted reproduction shall be treated as being withdrawn unless the 4 5 party and the woman, after the filing of the petition or the 6 giving of notice of the filing of the petition to the other 7 party, sign a new writing consenting to the assisted 8 reproduction or ratify, in writing, a prior written consent.

9 (b) Consent to assisted reproduction may be withdrawn by an 10 individual in a writing given with proper notice to the other 11 party at any time before implantation of the gametes or an 12 embryo or embryos. An individual who withdraws consent under 13 this Section is not a parent of any resulting child.

Section 706. Parental status of deceased individual. If an individual does not consent in a writing to be a parent by assisted reproduction after death and dies before the implantation of gametes or an embryo or embryos, the deceased individual is not a parent of the resulting child.

Section 707. Burden of proof. A consent executed under Section 704 of this Act or a withdrawal of consent under Section 705 of this Act must be proven by clear and convincing evidence.

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ARTICLE 8. SUPPORT AND JUDGMENT

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Section 801. Child support orders.

2 (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, pending 3 the outcome of a judicial determination of parentage, the court 4 shall issue an order for child support upon motion by a party 5 and a showing of clear and convincing evidence of parentage. In determining the amount of the child support award, the court 6 7 shall use the quidelines and standards set forth in Sections 8 505 and 505.2 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of 9 Marriage Act.

10 (b) Any new or existing support order entered by the court 11 under this Section shall be deemed to be a series of judgments 12 against the person obligated to pay support thereunder, each 13 judgment to be in the amount of each payment or installment of 14 support and each judgment to be deemed entered as of the date 15 the corresponding payment or installment becomes due under the 16 terms of the support order. Each judgment shall have the full force, effect, and attributes of any other judgment of this 17 State, including the ability to be enforced. A judgment under 18 19 this Section is subject to modification or termination only in 20 accordance with Section 510 of the Illinois Marriage and 21 Dissolution of Marriage Act. Notwithstanding any other state or 22 local law to the contrary, a lien arises by operation of law against the real and personal property of the noncustodial 23 24 parent for each installment of overdue support owed by the 25 noncustodial parent.

(c) An order for support, when entered or modified, shall 1 2 include a provision requiring the non-custodial parent to 3 notify the court and, in cases in which a party is receiving child support enforcement services under Article X of the 4 5 Illinois Public Aid Code, the Department of Healthcare and 6 Family Services, within 7 days: (i) of the name and address of 7 any new employer of the non-custodial parent; (ii) whether the 8 non-custodial parent has access to health insurance coverage 9 through the employer or other group coverage and, if so, of the 10 policy name and number and the names of adults and initials of 11 minors covered under the policy; and (iii) of any new 12 residential or mailing address or telephone number of the 13 non-custodial parent. In any subsequent action to enforce a 14 support order, upon a sufficient showing that a diligent effort 15 has been made to ascertain the location of the non-custodial 16 parent, service of process or provision of notice necessary in 17 the case may be made at the last known address of the non-custodial parent in any manner expressly provided by this 18 19 Act or the Code of Civil Procedure, and shall be sufficient for 20 purposes of due process.

(d) An order for support shall include a date on which the current support obligation terminates. The termination date shall be no earlier than the date on which the child covered by the order will attain the age of 18. However, if the child will not graduate from high school until after attaining the age of 18, then the termination date shall be no earlier than the earlier of the date on which the child's high school graduation will occur or the date on which the child will attain the age of 19. The order for support shall state that the termination date does not apply to any arrearage that may remain unpaid on that date. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the court from modifying the order or terminating the order in the event the child is otherwise emancipated.

8 (e) If there is an unpaid arrearage or delinguency (as 9 those terms are defined in the Income Withholding for Support 10 Act) equal to at least one month's support obligation on the 11 termination date stated in the order for support or, if there 12 is no termination date stated in the order, on the date the child attains the age of majority or is otherwise emancipated, 13 14 the periodic amount required to be paid for current support of 15 that child immediately prior to that date shall automatically 16 continue to be an obligation, not as current support but as 17 periodic payment toward satisfaction of the unpaid arrearage or delinquency. The periodic payment shall be in addition to any 18 periodic payment previously required for satisfaction of the 19 20 arrearage or delinquency. The total periodic amount to be paid toward satisfaction of the arrearage or delinquency may be 21 22 enforced and collected by any method provided by law for the 23 enforcement and collection of child support including, but not limited to, income withholding under the Income Withholding for 24 25 Support Act. Each order for support entered or modified must 26 contain a statement notifying the parties of the requirements

of this subsection. Failure to include the statement in the 1 2 order for support does not affect the validity of the order or the operation of the provisions of this subsection with regard 3 to the order. This subsection shall not be construed to prevent 4 5 or affect the establishment or modification of an order for the support of a minor child or the establishment or modification 6 of an order for the support of a non-minor child or educational 7 expenses under Section 513 of the Illinois Marriage and 8 9 Dissolution of Marriage Act.

10 (f) An order entered under this Section shall include a 11 provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to 12 the clerk of the circuit court within 7 days each time the 13 obligor obtains new employment, and each time the obligor's 14 employment is terminated for any reason. The report shall be in 15 writing and shall, in the case of new employment, include the 16 name and address of the new employer. Failure to report new 17 employment or the termination of current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for a period in excess of 60 days, 18 is indirect criminal contempt. For an obligor arrested for 19 20 failure to report new employment, bond shall be set in the amount of the child support that should have been paid during 21 22 the period of unreported employment. An order entered under 23 this Section shall also include a provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise each other of a change in 24 residence within 5 days of the change except when the court 25 26 finds that the physical, mental, or emotional health of a party

or that of a minor child, or both, would be seriously
 endangered by disclosure of the party's address.

3 Section 802. Judgment.

4 (a) The court shall issue an order adjudicating whether a 5 person alleged or claiming to be the parent is the parent of 6 the child. An order adjudicating parentage must identify the 7 child by initials and year of birth.

8 The court may assess filing fees, reasonable attorney's 9 fees, fees for genetic testing, other costs, necessary travel 10 expenses, and other reasonable expenses incurred in а 11 proceeding under this Act. The court may award attorney's fees, 12 which may be paid directly to the attorney, who may enforce the 13 order in the attorney's own name. The court may not assess 14 fees, costs, or expenses against the support-enforcement 15 agency of this State or another state, except as provided by 16 other law.

17 The judqment shall contain or explicitly reserve 18 provisions concerning any duty and amount of child support and 19 may contain provisions concerning the custody and guardianship 20 of the child, parenting time privileges with the child, and the 21 furnishing of bond or other security for the payment of the 22 judgment, which the court shall determine in accordance with the relevant factors set forth in the Illinois Marriage and 23 Dissolution of Marriage Act and any other applicable law of 24 this State, to guide the court in a finding in the best 25

interests of the child. In determining custody, joint custody, 1 2 removal, parenting time, parenting time interference, support for a non-minor disabled child, educational expenses for a 3 non-minor child, and related post-judgment issues, the court 4 5 shall apply the relevant standards of the Illinois Marriage and 6 Dissolution of Marriage Act. Specifically, in determining the 7 amount of a child support award, the court shall use the quidelines and standards set forth in subsection (a) of Section 8 9 505 and in Section 505.2 of the Illinois Marriage and 10 Dissolution of Marriage Act. The court shall order all child 11 support payments, determined in accordance with such 12 guidelines, to commence with the date summons is served. The 13 level of current periodic support payments shall not be reduced because of payments set for the period prior to the date of 14 15 entry of the support order.

(b) In an action brought within 2 years after a child's birth, the judgment or order may direct either parent to pay the reasonable expenses incurred by either parent or the Department of Healthcare and Family Services related to the mother's pregnancy and the delivery of the child.

(c) If a judgment of parentage contains no explicit award of custody, the establishment of a child support obligation or of parenting time rights in one parent shall be considered a judgment granting custody to the other parent. If the parentage judgment contains no such provisions, custody shall be presumed to be with the mother; however, the presumption shall not apply

1 if the father has had physical custody for at least 6 months 2 prior to the date that the mother seeks to enforce custodial 3 rights.

(d) The court, if necessary to protect and promote the best
interests of the child, may set aside a portion of the
separately held estates of the parties in a separate fund or
trust for the support, education, physical and mental health,
and general welfare of a minor or mentally or physically
disabled child of the parties.

10 (e) The court may order child support payments to be made 11 for a period prior to the commencement of the action. In 12 determining whether and to what extent the payments shall be 13 made for the prior period, the court shall consider all 14 relevant facts, including but not limited to:

(1) The factors for determining the amount of support
 specified in the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of
 Marriage Act.

18 (2) The father's prior knowledge of the fact and19 circumstances of the child's birth.

20 (3) The father's prior willingness or refusal to help
21 raise or support the child.

(4) The extent to which the mother or the public agency
bringing the action previously informed the father of the
child's needs or attempted to seek or require his help in
raising or supporting the child.

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(5) The reasons the mother or the public agency did not

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(6) The extent to which the father would be prejudiced by the delay in bringing the action.

For purposes of determining the amount of child support to be paid for the period before the date the order for current child support is entered, there is a rebuttable presumption that the father's net income for the prior period was the same as his net income at the time the order for current child support is entered.

10 If (i) the non-custodial parent was properly served with a 11 request for discovery of financial information relating to the 12 non-custodial parent's ability to provide child support; (ii) 13 the non-custodial parent failed to comply with the request, 14 despite having been ordered to do so by the court; and (iii) 15 the non-custodial parent is not present at the hearing to 16 determine support despite having received proper notice, then 17 relevant financial information concerning the any non-custodial parent's ability to provide child support that 18 19 was obtained pursuant to subpoena and proper notice shall be 20 admitted into evidence without the need to establish any further foundation for its admission. 21

(f) A new or existing support order entered by the court under this Section shall be deemed to be a series of judgments against the person obligated to pay support thereunder, each judgment to be in the amount of each payment or installment of support and each judgment to be deemed entered as of the date

the corresponding payment or installment becomes due under the 1 2 terms of the support order. Each judgment shall have the full force, effect, and attributes of any other judgment of this 3 State, including the ability to be enforced. A judgment under 4 5 this Section is subject to modification or termination only in accordance with Section 510 of the Illinois Marriage and 6 Dissolution of Marriage Act. Notwithstanding any State or local 7 8 law to the contrary, a lien arises by operation of law against 9 the real and personal property of the noncustodial parent for 10 each installment of overdue support owed by the noncustodial 11 parent.

- (g) If the judgment or order of the court is at variance with the child's birth certificate, the court shall order that a new birth certificate be issued under the Vital Records Act.
- 15 (h) On the request of both parents, the court shall order a 16 change in the child's name.

(i) After hearing evidence, the court may stay payment of support during the period of the father's minority or period of disability.

(j) If, upon a showing of proper service, the father fails to appear in court or otherwise appear as provided by law, the court may proceed to hear the cause upon testimony of the mother or other parties taken in open court and shall enter a judgment by default. The court may reserve any order as to the amount of child support until the father has received notice, by regular mail, of a hearing on the matter.

(k) An order for support, when entered or modified, shall 1 2 include a provision requiring the non-custodial parent to 3 notify the court and, in cases in which a party is receiving child support enforcement services under Article X of the 4 5 Illinois Public Aid Code, the Department of Healthcare and 6 Family Services, within 7 days: (i) of the name and address of 7 any new employer of the non-custodial parent; (ii) whether the 8 non-custodial parent has access to health insurance coverage 9 through the employer or other group coverage and, if so, of the 10 policy name and number and the names of adults and initials of 11 minors covered under the policy; and (iii) of any new 12 residential or mailing address or telephone number of the 13 non-custodial parent. In a subsequent action to enforce a 14 support order, upon a sufficient showing that a diligent effort 15 has been made to ascertain the location of the non-custodial 16 parent, service of process or provision of notice necessary in 17 the case may be made at the last known address of the non-custodial parent in any manner expressly provided by this 18 19 Act or the Code of Civil Procedure, and shall be sufficient for 20 purposes of due process.

(1) An order for support shall include a date on which the current support obligation terminates. The termination date shall be no earlier than the date on which the child covered by the order will attain the age of 18. However, if the child will not graduate from high school until after attaining the age of 18, then the termination date shall be no earlier than the

earlier of the date on which the child's high school graduation will occur or the date on which the child will attain the age of 19. The order for support shall state that the termination date does not apply to any arrearage that may remain unpaid on that date. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the court from modifying the order or terminating the order in the event the child is otherwise emancipated.

8 (m) If there is an unpaid arrearage or delinguency (as 9 those terms are defined in the Income Withholding for Support 10 Act) equal to at least one month's support obligation on the 11 termination date stated in the order for support or, if there 12 is no termination date stated in the order, on the date the child attains the age of majority or is otherwise emancipated, 13 14 the periodic amount required to be paid for current support of 15 that child immediately prior to that date shall automatically 16 continue to be an obligation, not as current support but as 17 periodic payment toward satisfaction of the unpaid arrearage or delinquency. The periodic payment shall be in addition to any 18 periodic payment previously required for satisfaction of the 19 20 arrearage or delinquency. The total periodic amount to be paid toward satisfaction of the arrearage or delinquency may be 21 22 enforced and collected by any method provided by law for 23 enforcement and collection of child support, including but not limited to income withholding under the Income Withholding for 24 25 Support Act. Each order for support entered or modified must 26 contain a statement notifying the parties of the requirements

of this subsection. Failure to include the statement in the 1 2 order for support does not affect the validity of the order or the operation of the provisions of this subsection with regard 3 to the order. This subsection shall not be construed to prevent 4 5 or affect the establishment or modification of an order for support of a minor child or the establishment or modification 6 of an order for support of a non-minor child or educational 7 expenses under Section 513 of the Illinois Marriage and 8 9 Dissolution of Marriage Act.

10 (n) An order entered under this Section shall include a 11 provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to 12 the clerk of court within 7 days each time the obligor obtains new employment, and each time the obligor's employment is 13 14 terminated for any reason. The report shall be in writing and 15 shall, in the case of new employment, include the name and 16 address of the new employer. Failure to report new employment 17 or the termination of current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for a period in excess of 60 days, is 18 indirect criminal contempt. For an obligor arrested for failure 19 20 to report new employment bond shall be set in the amount of the 21 child support that should have been paid during the period of 22 unreported employment. An order entered under this Section 23 shall also include a provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise each other of a change in residence 24 25 within 5 days of the change except when the court finds that 26 the physical, mental, or emotional health of a party or that of

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2 disclosure of the party's address.

3 Section 803. Information to State Case Registry.

4 (a) In this Section:

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5 "Order for support", "obligor", "obligee", and "business 6 day" are defined as set forth in the Income Withholding for 7 Support Act.

8 "State Case Registry" means the State Case Registry 9 established under Section 10-27 of the Illinois Public Aid 10 Code.

11 (b) Each order for support entered or modified by the 12 circuit court under this Act shall require that the obligor and obligee file with the clerk of the circuit court (i) the 13 14 information required by this Section (and any other information 15 required under Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act or 16 by the federal Department of Health and Human Services) at the time of entry or modification of the order for support; and 17 18 (ii) updated information within 5 business days of any change. Failure of the obligor or obligee to file or update the 19 20 required information shall be punishable as in cases of 21 contempt. The failure shall not prevent the court from entering 22 or modifying the order for support, however.

(c) The obligor shall file the following information: the
obligor's name, year of birth, mailing address, and the last 4
digits of the obligor's social security number. If either the

obligor or the obligee receives child support enforcement 1 2 services from the Department of Healthcare and Family Services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the obligor 3 shall also file the following information: the obligor's 4 5 telephone number, the last 4 digits of the obligor's driver's 6 license number, residential address (if different from the obligor's mailing address), and the name, address, 7 and 8 telephone number of the obligor's employer or employers.

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(d) The obligee shall file the following information:

10 (1) The name of the obligee and the initials of the11 child or children covered by the order for support.

12 (2) The years of birth of the obligee and the child or13 children covered by the order for support.

14 (3) The last 4 digits of the social security numbers of
15 the obligee and the child or children covered by the order
16 for support.

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(4) The obligee's mailing address.

(e) In cases in which the obligee receives child support 18 19 enforcement services from the Department of Healthcare and 20 Family Services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the order for support shall (i) require that the obligee 21 22 file the information required under subsection (d) with the 23 Department of Healthcare and Family Services for inclusion in 24 the State Case Registry, rather than file the information with 25 the clerk, and (ii) require that the obligee include the 26 following additional information:

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(1) The obligee's telephone and the last 4 digits of
 the obligee's driver's license number.

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3 (2) The obligee's residential address, if different
4 from the obligee's mailing address.

5 (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the 6 obligee's employer or employers.

7 The order for support shall also require that the obligee 8 update the information filed with the Department of Healthcare 9 and Family Services within 5 business days of any change.

10 (f) The clerk of the circuit court shall provide the 11 information filed under this Section, together with the court 12 docket number and county in which the order for support was 13 entered, to the State Case Registry within 5 business days 14 after receipt of the information.

(g) In a case in which a party is receiving child support enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk of the circuit court shall provide the following additional information to the State Case Registry within 5 business days after entry or modification of an order for support or request from the Department of Healthcare and Family Services:

(1) the amount of monthly or other periodic support
owed under the order for support and other amounts,
including arrearage, interest, or late payment penalties
and fees, due or overdue under the order; and

(2) any amounts that have been received by the clerk,

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and the distribution of those amounts by the clerk.

(h) Information filed by the obligor and obligee under this
Section that is not specifically required to be included in the
body of an order for support under other laws is not a public
record and shall be treated as confidential and subject to
disclosure only in accordance with the provisions of this
Section, Section 10-27 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, and
Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act.

9 Section 804. Information to locate putative fathers and10 noncustodial parents.

11 (a) Upon request by a public office, employers, labor 12 and telephone companies shall provide unions, location information concerning putative fathers and noncustodial 13 14 parents for the purpose of establishing the parentage of a child or establishing, enforcing, or modifying a child support 15 16 obligation. As used in this Section, the term "public office" is defined as set forth in the Income Withholding for Support 17 Act, and "location information" means information about (i) the 18 physical whereabouts of a putative father or noncustodial 19 20 parent; (ii) the employer of the putative father or 21 noncustodial parent; or (iii) the salary, wages, and other 22 compensation paid and the health insurance coverage provided to 23 the putative father or noncustodial parent by the employer of 24 the putative father or noncustodial parent or by a labor union 25 of which the putative father or noncustodial parent is a

member. An employer, labor union, or telephone company shall 1 2 respond to the request of the public office within 15 days 3 after receiving the request. An employer, labor union, or telephone company that willfully fails to fully respond within 4 5 the 15-day period shall be subject to a penalty of \$100 for 6 each day that the response is not provided to the public office 7 after the 15-day period has expired. The penalty may be 8 collected in a civil action, which may be brought against the 9 employer, labor union, or telephone company in favor of the 10 public office.

11 (b) Upon being served with a subpoena (including an 12 administrative subpoena as authorized by law), a utility 13 company or cable television company must provide location 14 information to a public office for the purpose of establishing 15 the parentage of a child or establishing, enforcing, or 16 modifying a child support obligation.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other State or local law to the contrary, an employer, labor union, telephone company, utility company, or cable television company shall not be liable to any person for disclosure of location information under the requirements of this Section, except for willful and wanton misconduct.

23 Section 805. Enforcement of judgment or order.

(a) If the existence of the parent-child relationship isdeclared, or if parentage or a duty of support has been

established under this Act or under prior law or under the law 1 of any other jurisdiction, the judgment rendered thereunder may 2 3 be enforced in the same or in other proceedings by any party or any person or agency that has furnished or may furnish 4 5 financial assistance or services to the child. The Income Withholding for Support Act and Sections 802 and 808 of this 6 7 Act shall also be applicable with respect to the entry, 8 modification, and enforcement of a support judgment entered 9 under the Paternity Act, approved July 5, 1957 and repealed 10 July 1, 1985.

11 (b) Failure to comply with an order of the court shall be 12 punishable as contempt as in other cases of failure to comply 13 under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. In 14 addition to other penalties provided by law, the court may, 15 after finding the party guilty of contempt, take the following 16 action:

17 18 (1) Order that the party be placed on probation with such conditions of probation as the court deems advisable.

19 (2) Order that the party be sentenced to periodic 20 imprisonment for a period not to exceed 6 months. However, 21 the court may permit the party to be released for periods 22 of time during the day or night to work, conduct business, 23 or engage in other self-employed occupation. The court may 24 further order any part of all the earnings of a party 25 during a sentence of periodic imprisonment to be paid to 26 the clerk of the circuit court or to the person or parent

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having custody of the minor child for the support of the child until further order of the court.

3 (3) Pierce the ownership veil of a person, persons, or business entity to discover assets of a non-custodial 4 5 parent held in the name of that person, those persons, or that business entity, if there is a unity of interest and 6 ownership sufficient to render no financial separation 7 8 between the non-custodial parent and that person, those 9 the business entity. The persons, or following 10 circumstances are sufficient for a court to order discovery 11 of the assets of a person, persons, or business entity and 12 to compel the application of any discovered assets toward 13 payment of the judgment for support:

14 (A) the non-custodial parent and the person,15 persons, or business entity maintain records together.

(B) the non-custodial parent and the person,
persons, or business entity fail to maintain an
arm's-length relationship between themselves with
regard to any assets.

20 (C) the non-custodial parent transfers assets to 21 the person, persons, or business entity with the intent 22 to perpetrate a fraud on the custodial parent. With 23 respect to assets which are real property, no order 24 entered under this subdivision (3) shall affect the 25 rights of bona fide purchasers, mortgagees, judgment 26 creditors, or other lien holders who acquire their

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interests in the property prior to the time a notice of lis pendens under the Code of Civil Procedure or a copy of the order is placed of record in the office of the recorder of deeds for the county in which the real property is located.

6 (4) Order that, in cases where the party is 90 days or 7 more delinquent in payment of support or has been 8 adjudicated in arrears in an amount equal to 90 days 9 the party's Illinois obligation or more, driving 10 privileges be suspended until the court determines that the 11 party is in compliance with the judgment or duty of 12 support. The court may also order that the parent be issued a family financial responsibility driving permit that 13 14 would allow limited driving privileges for employment and 15 medical purposes in accordance with Section 7-702.1 of the 16 Illinois Vehicle Code. The clerk of the circuit court shall 17 certify the order suspending the driving privileges of the parent or granting the issuance of a family financial 18 19 responsibility driving permit to the Secretary of State on 20 forms prescribed by the Secretary. Upon receipt of the authenticated documents, the Secretary of State shall 21 22 suspend the party's driving privileges until further order 23 of the court and shall, if ordered by the court and subject to the provisions of Section 7-702.1 of the Illinois 24 25 Vehicle Code, issue a family financial responsibility 26 driving permit to the parent.

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In addition to the penalties or punishment that may be 1 2 imposed under this Section, a person whose conduct constitutes a violation of Section 15 of the Non-Support Punishment Act may 3 be prosecuted under that Act, and a person convicted under that 4 5 Act may be sentenced in accordance with that Act. The sentence may include, but need not be limited to, a requirement that the 6 person perform community service under Section 50 of that Act 7 or participate in a work alternative program under Section 50 8 9 of that Act. A person may not be required to participate in a 10 work alternative program under Section 50 of the Non-Support 11 Punishment Act if the person is currently participating in a 12 work program under Section 806 of this Act.

13 (c) In a post-judgment proceeding to enforce or modify the 14 judgment, the parties shall continue to be designated as in the 15 original proceeding.

16 Section 806. Unemployment of person owing duty of support. (a) Whenever it is determined in a proceeding to establish 17 18 or enforce a child support obligation that the person owing a duty of support is unemployed, the court may order the person 19 to seek employment and report periodically to the court with a 20 21 diary, listing, or other memorandum of his or her efforts to 22 seek employment in accordance with the order. Additionally, the the 23 court may order the unemployed person to report to 24 Department of Employment Security for job search services and 25 to participate in job training or work programs. When the duty

support is owed to a child receiving child support 1 of 2 enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid 3 Code, the court may order the unemployed person to report to Department of Healthcare and Family Services 4 the for 5 participation in job search, training, or work programs established under Section 9-6 and Article IXA of that Code. 6

7 (b) Whenever it is determined that a person owes past-due 8 support for a child, and the child is receiving assistance 9 under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the court shall, at the 10 request of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 11 order the following:

12 (1) that the person pay the past-due support in13 accordance with a payment plan approved by the court; or

(2) if the person owing past-due support is unemployed,
is subject to a payment plan, and is not incapacitated,
that the person participate in job search, training, or
work programs established under Section 9-6 and Article IXA
of the Illinois Public Aid Code as the court deems
appropriate.

Section 807. Order of protection; status. Whenever relief is sought under this Act, the court, before granting relief, shall determine whether an order of protection has previously been entered in the instant proceeding or any other proceeding in which any party, or a child of any party, or both, if relevant, has been designated as either a respondent or a

protected person.

2 Section 808. Modification of judgment. The court has 3 continuing jurisdiction to modify an order for support, 4 custody, parenting time, or removal included in a judgment 5 entered under this Act. Any custody, parenting time, or removal 6 judgment modification shall be in accordance with the relevant 7 factors specified in the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of 8 Marriage Act. Any support judgment is subject to modification 9 or termination only in accordance with Section 510 of the 10 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

11 Section 809. Right to counsel.

Any party may be represented by counsel at 12 all (a) proceedings under this Act. Except as otherwise provided in 13 14 this Act, the court may order, in accordance with the relevant 15 factors specified in Section 508 of the Illinois Marriage and 16 Dissolution of Marriage Act, reasonable fees of counsel, 17 experts, and other costs of the action, pre-trial proceedings, 18 post-judgment proceedings to enforce or modify the judgment, and the appeal or the defense of an appeal of the judgment to 19 20 be paid by the parties. The court may not order payment by the 21 Department of Healthcare and Family Services in cases in which the Department is providing child support enforcement services 22 23 under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

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(b) In any proceedings involving the support, custody,

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parenting time, education, parentage, property interest, or general welfare of a minor or dependent child, the court may, on its own motion or that of any party, appoint an attorney to serve in one of the capacities specified in Section 506 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

6 Section 810. Withholding of income to secure payment of 7 support. Orders for support entered under this Act are subject 8 to the Income Withholding for Support Act.

9 Section 811. Information concerning obligors.

10 (a) In this Section:

11 "Arrearage", "delinquency", "obligor", and "order for 12 support" have the meanings attributed to those terms in the 13 Income Withholding for Support Act.

14 "Consumer reporting agency" has the meaning attributed to 15 that term in Section 603(f) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 16 15 U.S.C. 1681a(f).

(b) Whenever a court of competent jurisdiction finds that an obligor either owes an arrearage of more than \$10,000 or is delinquent in payment of an amount equal to at least 3 months' support obligation pursuant to an order for support, the court shall direct the clerk of the circuit court to make information concerning the obligor available to consumer reporting agencies.

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(c) Whenever a court of competent jurisdiction finds that

an obligor either owes an arrearage of more than \$10,000 or is 1 delinquent in payment of an amount equal to at least 3 months' 2 3 support obligation pursuant to an order for support, the court shall direct the clerk of the circuit court to cause the 4 5 obligor's name and address to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in which the obligor resides. 6 7 The clerk of the circuit court shall cause the obligor's name 8 and address to be published only after sending to the obligor 9 at the obligor's last known address, by certified mail, return 10 receipt requested, a notice of intent to publish the 11 information. This subsection (c) applies only if the obligor 12 resides in the county in which the clerk of the circuit court holds office. 13

14 Section 812. Interest on support obligations. A support 15 obligation, or any portion of a support obligation, which 16 becomes due and remains unpaid as of the end of each month, excluding the child support that was due for that month to the 17 extent that it was not paid in that month, shall accrue simple 18 interest as set forth in Section 12-109 of the Code of Civil 19 Procedure. An order for support shall contain a statement that 20 21 a support obligation required under the order, or any portion 22 of a support obligation required under the order, that becomes due and remains unpaid as of the end of each month, excluding 23 24 the child support that was due for that month to the extent 25 that it was not paid in that month, shall accrue simple

interest as set forth in Section 12-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Failure to include the statement in the order for support does not affect the validity of the order or the accrual of interest as provided in this Section.

5 Section 813. Support payments; receiving and disbursing6 agents.

7 (a) In an action filed in a county with less than 3,000,000 8 inhabitants in which an order for child support is entered, and 9 in supplementary proceedings to enforce or vary the terms of 10 the order arising out of an action filed in such a county, the 11 court, except in actions or supplementary proceedings in which 12 the pregnancy and delivery expenses of the mother or the child support payments are for a recipient of aid under the Illinois 13 14 Public Aid Code, shall direct that child support payments be 15 made to the clerk of the circuit court, unless in the 16 discretion of the court exceptional circumstances warrant otherwise. In cases where payment is to be made to persons 17 other than the clerk of the circuit court, the judgment or 18 19 order of support shall set forth the facts of the exceptional 20 circumstances.

(b) In an action filed in a county of 3,000,000 or more inhabitants in which an order for child support is entered, and in supplementary proceedings to enforce or vary the terms of the order arising out of an action filed in such a county, the court, except in actions or supplementary proceedings in which

the pregnancy and delivery expenses of the mother or the child 1 2 support payments are for a recipient of aid under the Illinois 3 Public Aid Code, shall direct that child support payments be made either to the clerk of the circuit court or to the Court 4 5 Service Division of the Department of Human Services local 6 office or offices or its successor or to the Department of 7 Healthcare and Family Services, unless in the discretion of the 8 court exceptional circumstances warrant otherwise. In cases 9 where payment is to be made to persons other than the clerk of 10 the circuit court, the Court Service Division of the Department 11 of Human Services local office or offices or its successor, or 12 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the judgment 13 order of support shall set forth the facts of the or 14 exceptional circumstances.

(c) When the action or supplementary proceeding is on 15 16 behalf of a mother for pregnancy and delivery expenses or for 17 child support, or both, and the mother, child, or both, are recipients of aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the court 18 19 shall order that the payments be made directly to (1) the 20 Department of Healthcare and Family Services, if the mother or child, or both, are recipients under Article IV or V of the 21 22 Illinois Public Aid Code; or (2) the local governmental unit 23 responsible for the support of the mother or child, or both, if they are recipients under Article VI of the Illinois Public Aid 24 25 Code. In accordance with federal law and regulations, the 26 Department of Healthcare and Family Services may continue to

1 collect current maintenance payments or child support 2 payments, or both, after those persons cease to receive public assistance and until termination of services under Article X of 3 the Illinois Public Aid Code. The Department of Healthcare and 4 5 Family Services shall pay the net amount collected to those persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the 6 7 collection or any collection fee from the amount of any 8 recovery made. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services 9 or the local governmental unit, as the case may be, may direct 10 that payments be made directly to the mother of the child, or 11 to some other person or agency on the child's behalf, upon the 12 removal of the mother and child from the public aid rolls or 13 upon termination of services under Article X of the Illinois 14 Public Aid Code; upon such direction, the Department of 15 Healthcare and Family Services or the local governmental unit 16 shall give notice of the action to the court in writing or by 17 electronic transmission.

(d) All clerks of the circuit court and the Court Service 18 Division of the Department of Human Services local office or 19 20 offices or its successor and the Department of Healthcare and 21 Family Services, receiving child support payments under 22 subsection (a) or (b) shall disburse the payments to the person 23 or persons entitled to the payments under the terms of the order. The entity disbursing the payments shall establish and 24 25 maintain clear and current records of all moneys received and disbursed and of defaults and delinquencies in required 26

payments. The court, by order or rule, shall make provision for 1 2 the carrying out of these duties. Payments under this Section 3 to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services made pursuant to the Child Support Enforcement Program established 4 5 by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act shall be paid into the 6 Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund. All payments under this 7 Section to the Illinois Department of Human Services shall be deposited in the DHS Recoveries Trust Fund. Disbursement from 8 9 these funds shall be as provided in the Illinois Public Aid 10 Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be 11 deposited in that unit's General Assistance Fund.

12 (e) The moneys received by persons or agencies designated 13 by the court shall be disbursed by them in accordance with the 14 order. However, the court, on petition of the State's Attorney, 15 may enter new orders designating the clerk of the circuit court 16 or the Department of Healthcare and Family Services as the 17 person or agency authorized to receive and disburse child support payments and, in the case of a recipient of public aid, 18 19 the court, on petition of the Attorney General or State's 20 Attorney, shall direct subsequent payments to be paid to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services or to 21 the 22 appropriate local governmental unit, as provided in subsection 23 (c) of this Section. Payments of child support by principals or sureties on bonds or proceeds of any sale for the enforcement 24 25 of a judgment shall be made to the clerk of the circuit court, 26 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, or the

1 appropriate local governmental unit, as required by this 2 Section.

(f) For those cases in which child support is payable to 3 the clerk of the circuit court for transmittal to the 4 5 Department of Healthcare and Family Services by order of court or upon notification by the Department of Healthcare and Family 6 7 Services, the clerk of the circuit court shall transmit all 8 payments, within 4 working days of receipt, to insure that 9 funds are available for immediate distribution by the 10 Department of Healthcare and Family Services to the person or entity entitled to them in accordance with the Child Support 11 12 Enforcement Program under Title IV-D of the Social Security 13 Act. The clerk of the circuit court shall notify the Department of Healthcare and Family Services of the date of receipt and 14 the amount of the funds at the time of transmittal. If the 15 clerk of the circuit court has entered into an agreement of 16 17 cooperation with the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to record the terms of child support orders and 18 19 payments made thereunder directly into the Department's 20 automated data processing system, the clerk of the circuit court shall account for, transmit and otherwise distribute 21 22 child support payments in accordance with the agreement in lieu 23 of the requirements contained in this Section.

(g) To the extent the provisions of this Section are
 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
 Disbursement Unit under Section 815 of this Act and Section

10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the requirements
 pertaining to the State Disbursement Unit shall apply.

3 Section 814. Notice of child support enforcement services. 4 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services may provide 5 notice at any time to the parties to an action filed under this 6 Act that child support enforcement services are being provided 7 by the Department under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid 8 Code. After notice is provided, the Department of Healthcare 9 and Family Services shall be entitled, as if it were a party, 10 to notice of any further proceedings brought in the case. The 11 Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall provide the 12 clerk of the circuit court with copies of the notices sent to the parties. The clerk of the circuit court shall file the 13 14 copies in the court file.

15 Section 815. Payment of support to State Disbursement Unit. 16 (a) As used in this Section, "order for support", 17 "obligor", "obligee", and "payor" have the meanings ascribed to 18 them in the Income Withholding for Support Act, except that 19 "order for support" does not mean an order for spousal 20 maintenance under which there is no child support obligation.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, each order for support entered or modified on or after October 1, 1999 shall require that support payments be made to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section

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1 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code if:

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(1) a party to the order is receiving child support
enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public
Aid Code; or

5 (2) no party to the order is receiving child support 6 enforcement services, but the support payments are made 7 through income withholding.

8 (c) Support payments shall be made to the State 9 Disbursement Unit if:

10 (1) the order for support was entered before October 1, 11 1999, and a party to the order is receiving child support 12 enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public 13 Aid Code; or

14 (2) no party to the order is receiving child support
15 enforcement services, and the support payments are being
16 made through income withholding.

(d) If no party to the order is receiving child support enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code and the support payments are not made through income withholding, then support payments shall be made as directed by the order for support.

(e) At any time, and notwithstanding the existence of an order directing payments to be made elsewhere, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services may provide notice to the obligor and, where applicable, to the obligor's payor:

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(1) to make support payments to the State Disbursement

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(A) a party to the order for support is receiving child support enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code; or

5 (B) no party to the order for support is receiving 6 child support enforcement services under Article X of 7 the Illinois Public Aid Code, but the support payments 8 are made through income withholding; or

9 (2) to make support payments to the State Disbursement 10 Unit of another state upon request of another state's Title 11 IV-D child support enforcement agency, in accordance with 12 the requirements of Title IV, Part D of the Social Security 13 Act and regulations promulgated under that Part D.

14 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall 15 provide a copy of the notice sent under this subsection to the 16 obligee and to the clerk of the circuit court.

17 (f) The clerk of the circuit court shall provide written notice to the obligor to make payments directly to the clerk of 18 19 the circuit court if no party to the order is receiving child 20 support enforcement services under Article X of the Illinois 21 Public Aid Code, the support payments are not made through 22 income withholding, and the order for support requires support 23 payments to be made directly to the clerk of the circuit court. The clerk of the circuit court shall provide a copy of the 24 25 notice to the obligee.

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(g) If the State Disbursement Unit receives a support

payment that was not appropriately made to the Unit under this Section, the Unit shall immediately return the payment to the sender, including, if possible, instructions detailing where to send the support payments.

5 (h) The notices under subsections (e) and (f) may be sent 6 by ordinary mail, certified mail with return receipt requested, 7 facsimile transmission, other electronic process, or any 8 method provided by law for service of a summons.

9 Section 816. Notice to the clerk of circuit court of 10 payment received by Department of Healthcare and Family 11 Services. For those cases in which support is payable to the 12 clerk of the circuit court for transmittal to the Department of 13 Healthcare and Family Services by order of court, and the 14 Department of Healthcare and Family Services collects support by assignment, offset, withhold, deduction, or other process 15 16 permitted by law, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall notify the clerk of the circuit court of the 17 date and amount of the collection. Upon notification, the clerk 18 of the circuit court shall record the collection on the payment 19 record for the case. 20

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ARTICLE 9. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

22 Section 901. Burden of proof. Absent a burden of proof 23 specifically set forth in this Act, the burden of proof shall

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1 be by a preponderance of the evidence.

Section 902. Severability clause. If any provision of this Act or its application to an individual or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.

8 Section 903. Transitional provision. A proceeding to 9 adjudicate parentage which was commenced before the effective 10 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time 11 the proceeding was commenced.

12 Section 904. Savings provision. The repeal of the Illinois 13 Parentage Act of 1984 and the Illinois Parentage Act shall not 14 affect rights or liabilities under those Act which have been determined, settled, or adjudicated prior to the effective date 15 of this Act or which are the subject of proceedings pending on 16 the effective date of this Act. This Act shall not be construed 17 to bar an action which would have been barred because the 18 19 action had not been filed within a time limitation under the 20 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 and the Illinois Parentage Act, or which could not have been maintained under those Acts, as 21 22 long as the action is not barred by a limitations period set forth in this Act. 23

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1 Section 905. Other states' establishments of parentage. 2 Establishments of parentage made under the laws of other states 3 shall be given full faith and credit in this State regardless 4 of whether parentage was established through voluntary 5 acknowledgment or through judicial or administrative 6 processes.

7 Section 951. The Department of Employment Security Law of 8 the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by 9 changing Section 1005-130 as follows:

10 (20 ILCS 1005/1005-130) (was 20 ILCS 1005/43a.14)

Sec. 1005-130. Exchange of information for child support enforcement.

13 (a) The Department has the power to exchange with the 14 Department of Healthcare and Family Services information that may be necessary for the enforcement of child support orders 15 16 entered pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois 17 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the 18 19 Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the 20 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Uniform Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 21

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions in the CivilAdministrative Code of Illinois to the contrary, the Department

of Employment Security shall not be liable to any person for any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) under subsection (a) or for any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of subsection (a).

6 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

Section 952. The Department of Professional Regulation Law
of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by
changing Section 2105-15 as follows:

10 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-15)

11 Sec. 2105-15. General powers and duties.

(a) The Department has, subject to the provisions of the
Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the following powers and
duties:

15 (1) To authorize examinations in English to ascertain 16 the qualifications and fitness of applicants to exercise 17 the profession, trade, or occupation for which the 18 examination is held.

19 (2) To prescribe rules and regulations for a fair and
 20 wholly impartial method of examination of candidates to
 21 exercise the respective professions, trades, or
 22 occupations.

(3) To pass upon the qualifications of applicants for
 licenses, certificates, and authorities, whether by

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examination, by reciprocity, or by endorsement.

2 (4) To prescribe rules and regulations defining, for 3 the respective professions, trades, and occupations, what shall constitute a school, college, or university, or 4 5 department of a university, or other institution, reputable and in good standing, and to determine the 6 7 reputability and good standing of a school, college, or 8 university, or department of a university, or other 9 institution, reputable and in good standing, by reference 10 to a compliance with those rules and regulations; provided, 11 that no school, college, or university, or department of a 12 university, or other institution that refuses admittance to applicants solely on account of race, color, creed, sex, 13 14 or national origin shall be considered reputable and in 15 good standing.

16 (5) To conduct hearings on proceedings to revoke, 17 suspend, refuse to renew, place on probationary status, or take other disciplinary action as authorized in any 18 19 licensing Act administered by the Department with regard to 20 certificates, or authorities licenses, of persons 21 exercising the respective professions, trades, or 22 occupations and to revoke, suspend, refuse to renew, place 23 on probationary status, or take other disciplinary action as authorized in any licensing Act administered by the 24 25 Department with regard to those licenses, certificates, or 26 authorities. The Department shall issue а monthly

disciplinary report. The Department shall deny any license 1 2 or renewal authorized by the Civil Administrative Code of 3 Illinois to any person who has defaulted on an educational loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by the 4 5 Illinois Student Assistance Commission or any governmental agency of this State; however, the Department may issue a 6 license or renewal if the aforementioned persons have 7 8 established a satisfactory repayment record as determined 9 by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission or other 10 appropriate governmental agency of this State. 11 Additionally, beginning June 1, 1996, any license issued by 12 Department may be suspended or revoked if the the 13 Department, after the opportunity for a hearing under the 14 appropriate licensing Act, finds that the licensee has 15 failed to make satisfactory repayment to the Illinois 16 Student Assistance Commission for а delinguent or 17 loan. For the purposes defaulted of this Section, "satisfactory repayment record" shall be defined by rule. 18 19 The Department shall refuse to issue or renew a license to, 20 or shall suspend or revoke a license of, any person who, after receiving notice, fails to comply with a subpoena or 21 22 relating to a paternity or child support warrant 23 proceeding. However, the Department may issue a license or 24 renewal upon compliance with the subpoena or warrant.

The Department, without further process or hearings, shall revoke, suspend, or deny any license or renewal

authorized by the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to 1 2 a person who is certified by the Department of Healthcare 3 and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) as being more than 30 days delinquent in 4 5 complying with a child support order or who is certified by 6 a court as being in violation of the Non-Support Punishment 7 Act for more than 60 days. The Department may, however, 8 issue a license or renewal if the person has established a 9 satisfactory repayment record as determined by the 10 Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly 11 Illinois Department of Public Aid) or if the person is 12 determined by the court to be in compliance with the 13 Non-Support Punishment Act. The Department may implement 14 this paragraph as added by Public Act 89-6 through the use 15 of emergency rules in accordance with Section 5-45 of the 16 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. For purposes of the 17 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, the adoption of rules to implement this paragraph shall be considered an 18 19 emergency and necessary for the public interest, safety, 20 and welfare.

(6) To transfer jurisdiction of any realty under the control of the Department to any other department of the State Government or to acquire or accept federal lands when the transfer, acquisition, or acceptance is advantageous to the State and is approved in writing by the Governor.

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(7) To formulate rules and regulations necessary for

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the enforcement of any Act administered by the Department.

2 (8) To exchange with the Department of Healthcare and 3 Family Services information that may be necessary for the enforcement of child support orders entered pursuant to the 4 5 Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 6 7 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised 8 Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform 9 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage 10 Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 11 Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the 12 contrary, the Department of Professional Regulation shall not be liable under any federal or State law to any person 13 14 for any disclosure of information to the Department of 15 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois 16 Department of Public Aid) under this paragraph (8) or for 17 any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this paragraph (8). 18

19 (8.5)accept continuing education credit for То 20 mandated reporter training on how to recognize and report child abuse offered by the Department of Children and 21 22 Family Services and completed by any person who holds a 23 professional license issued by the Department and who is a 24 mandated reporter under the Abused and Neglected Child 25 Reporting Act. The Department shall adopt any rules 26 necessary to implement this paragraph.

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(9) To perform other duties prescribed by law.

2 (a-5) Except in cases involving default on an educational loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by the Illinois 3 Student Assistance Commission or any governmental agency of 4 5 this State or in cases involving delinquency in complying with a child support order or violation of the Non-Support 6 7 Punishment Act, no person or entity whose license, certificate, 8 or authority has been revoked as authorized in any licensing 9 Act administered by the Department may apply for restoration of 10 that license, certification, or authority until 3 years after 11 the effective date of the revocation.

12 (b) The Department may, when a fee is payable to the 13 Department for a wall certificate of registration provided by 14 the Department of Central Management Services, require that 15 portion of the payment for printing and distribution costs be 16 made directly or through the Department to the Department of 17 Central Management Services for deposit into the Paper and Printing Revolving Fund. The remainder shall be deposited into 18 the General Revenue Fund. 19

(c) For the purpose of securing and preparing evidence, and for the purchase of controlled substances, professional services, and equipment necessary for enforcement activities, recoupment of investigative costs, and other activities directed at suppressing the misuse and abuse of controlled substances, including those activities set forth in Sections 504 and 508 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the

Director and agents appointed and authorized by the Director 1 2 may expend sums from the Professional Regulation Evidence Fund 3 that the Director deems necessary from the amounts appropriated for that purpose. Those sums may be advanced to the agent when 4 5 the Director deems that procedure to be in the public interest. Sums for the purchase of controlled substances, professional 6 7 services, and equipment necessary for enforcement activities and other activities as set forth in this Section shall be 8 9 advanced to the agent who is to make the purchase from the 10 Professional Regulation Evidence Fund on vouchers signed by the 11 Director. The Director and those agents are authorized to 12 maintain one or more commercial checking accounts with any 13 State banking corporation or corporations organized under or 14 subject to the Illinois Banking Act for the deposit and 15 withdrawal of moneys to be used for the purposes set forth in 16 this Section; provided, that no check may be written nor any 17 withdrawal made from any such account except upon the written signatures of 2 persons designated by the Director to write 18 those checks and make those withdrawals. Vouchers for those 19 20 expenditures must be signed by the Director. All such expenditures shall be audited by the Director, and the audit 21 22 shall be submitted to the Department of Central Management 23 Services for approval.

(d) Whenever the Department is authorized or required by
 law to consider some aspect of criminal history record
 information for the purpose of carrying out its statutory

powers and responsibilities, then, upon request and payment of fees in conformance with the requirements of Section 2605-400 of the Department of State Police Law (20 ILCS 2605/2605-400), the Department of State Police is authorized to furnish, pursuant to positive identification, the information contained in State files that is necessary to fulfill the request.

7 (e) The provisions of this Section do not apply to private
8 business and vocational schools as defined by Section 15 of the
9 Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012.

10 (f) Beginning July 1, 1995, this Section does not apply to 11 those professions, trades, and occupations licensed under the 12 Real Estate License Act of 2000, nor does it apply to any 13 permits, certificates, or other authorizations to do business 14 provided for in the Land Sales Registration Act of 1989 or the 15 Illinois Real Estate Time-Share Act.

16 Notwithstanding anything that may appear in (q) any 17 individual licensing statute or administrative rule, the Department shall deny any license application or renewal 18 19 authorized under any licensing Act administered by the 20 Department to any person who has failed to file a return, or to pay the tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or 21 to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty, or interest, as 22 23 required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirement of any such tax 24 Act are satisfied; however, the Department may issue a license 25 26 or renewal if the person has established a satisfactory repayment record as determined by the Illinois Department of
 Revenue. For the purpose of this Section, "satisfactory
 repayment record" shall be defined by rule.

In addition, a complaint filed with the Department by the 4 5 Illinois Department of Revenue that includes a certification, 6 signed by its Director or designee, attesting to the amount of 7 the unpaid tax liability or the years for which a return was 8 not filed, or both, is prima facie evidence of the licensee's 9 failure to comply with the tax laws administered by the 10 Illinois Department of Revenue. Upon receipt of that 11 certification, the Department shall, without a hearing, 12 immediately suspend all licenses held by the licensee. 13 Enforcement of the Department's order shall be stayed for 60 14 days. The Department shall provide notice of the suspension to 15 the licensee by mailing a copy of the Department's order by 16 certified and regular mail to the licensee's last known address 17 as registered with the Department. The notice shall advise the licensee that the suspension shall be effective 60 days after 18 the issuance of the Department's order unless the Department 19 20 receives, from the licensee, a request for a hearing before the Department to dispute the matters contained in the order. 21

Any suspension imposed under this subsection (g) shall be terminated by the Department upon notification from the Illinois Department of Revenue that the licensee is in compliance with all tax laws administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

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1 The Department shall promulgate rules for the 2 administration of this subsection (q).

(h) The Department may grant the title "Retired", to be 3 used immediately adjacent to the title of a profession 4 5 regulated by the Department, to eligible retirees. The use of 6 the title "Retired" shall not constitute representation of current licensure, registration, or certification. Any person 7 8 without an active license, registration, or certificate in a 9 profession that requires licensure, registration, or 10 certification shall not be permitted to practice that 11 profession.

12 (i) Within 180 days after December 23, 2009 (the effective 13 date of Public Act 96-852), the Department shall promulgate 14 rules which permit a person with a criminal record, who seeks a 15 license or certificate in an occupation for which a criminal 16 record is not expressly a per se bar, to apply to the 17 Department for a non-binding, advisory opinion to be provided by the Board or body with the authority to issue the license or 18 certificate as to whether his or her criminal record would bar 19 20 the individual from the licensure or certification sought, should the individual meet all other licensure requirements 21 22 including, but not limited to, the successful completion of the 23 relevant examinations.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-650, eff. 2-1-12; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14; 25 98-850, eff. 1-1-15.)

Section 953. The Department of Revenue Law of the Civil 1 2 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 2505-65 as follows: 3

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(20 ILCS 2505/2505-65) (was 20 ILCS 2505/39b12)

Sec. 2505-65. Exchange of information.

6 (a) The Department has the power to exchange with any 7 state, with any local subdivisions of any state, or with the 8 federal government, except when specifically prohibited by 9 law, any information that may be necessary to efficient tax 10 administration and that may be acquired as a result of the 11 administration of the laws set forth in the Sections following 12 Section 95-10 and preceding Section 2505-60.

13 (b) The Department has the power to exchange with the 14 Department of Healthcare and Family Services information that 15 may be necessary for the enforcement of child support orders 16 entered pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of 17 18 Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the 19 20 Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois 21 Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 22 Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the contrary, 23 the Department of Revenue shall not be liable to any person for 24 any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare 25 and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public 1 Aid) under this subsection (b) or for any other action taken in 2 good faith to comply with the requirements of this subsection 3 (b).

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4 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

5 Section 954. The Counties Code is amended by changing
6 Section 3-5036.5 as follows:

7 (55 ILCS 5/3-5036.5)

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8 Sec. 3-5036.5. Exchange of information for child support
9 enforcement.

10 (a) The Recorder shall exchange with the Department of 11 Healthcare and Family Services information that may be necessary for the enforcement of child support orders entered 12 13 pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 14 15 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform 16 17 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 18

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the contrary, the Recorder shall not be liable to any person for any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) under subsection (a) or for any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of subsection (a). HB1531 - 98 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

1 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

2 Section 955. The Collection Agency Act is amended by 3 changing Section 2.04 as follows:

4 (225 ILCS 425/2.04) (from Ch. 111, par. 2005.1)

5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)
6 Sec. 2.04. Child support indebtedness.

7 (a) Persons, associations, partnerships, corporations, or 8 other legal entities engaged in the business of collecting 9 child support indebtedness owing under a court order as 10 provided under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois 11 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of 12 Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, the Illinois Parentage Act of 13 14 2015, or similar laws of other states are not restricted (i) in 15 the frequency of contact with an obligor who is in arrears, whether by phone, mail, or other means, (ii) from contacting 16 17 the employer of an obligor who is in arrears, (iii) from publishing or threatening to publish a list of obligors in 18 arrears, (iv) from disclosing or threatening to disclose an 19 20 arrearage that the obligor disputes, but for which a verified 21 notice of delinquency has been served under the Income Withholding for Support Act (or any of its predecessors, 22 23 Section 10-16.2 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, Section 706.1 24 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act,

Section 4.1 of the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, 1 2 Section 26.1 of the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, or Section 20 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 3 4 1984), or (v) from engaging in conduct that would not cause a 5 reasonable person mental or physical illness. For purposes of 6 this subsection, "obligor" means an individual who owes a duty to make periodic payments, under a court order, for the support 7 of a child. "Arrearage" means the total amount of an obligor's 8 9 unpaid child support obligations.

10 (a-5) A collection agency may not impose a fee or charge, 11 including costs, for any child support payments collected 12 through the efforts of a federal, State, or local government 13 agency, including but not limited to child support collected 14 from federal or State tax refunds, unemployment benefits, or 15 Social Security benefits.

16 No collection agency that collects child support payments 17 shall (i) impose a charge or fee, including costs, for collection of a current child support payment, (ii) fail to 18 19 apply collections to current support as specified in the order for support before applying collection to arrears or other 20 amounts, or (iii) designate a current child support payment as 21 22 arrears or other amount owed. In all circumstances, the 23 collection agency shall turn over to the obligee all support collected in a month up to the amount of current support 24 25 required to be paid for that month.

As to any fees or charges, including costs, retained by the

collection agency, that agency shall provide documentation to
 the obligee demonstrating that the child support payments
 resulted from the actions of the agency.

After collection of the total amount or arrearage, including statutory interest, due as of the date of execution of the collection contract, no further fees may be charged.

7 (a-10) The Department of Professional Regulation shall 8 determine a fee rate of not less than 25% but not greater than 9 35%, based upon presentation by the licensees as to costs to 10 provide the service and a fair rate of return. This rate shall 11 be established by administrative rule.

12 Without prejudice to the determination by the Department of 13 the appropriate rate through administrative rule, a collection 14 agency shall impose a fee of not more than 29% of the amount of 15 child support actually collected by the collection agency 16 subject to the provisions of subsection (a-5). This interim 17 rate is based upon the March 2002 General Account Office report "Child Support Enforcement", GAO-02-349. This rate shall apply 18 19 until a fee rate is established by administrative rule.

(b) The Department shall adopt rules necessary to
 administer and enforce the provisions of this Section.

22 (Source: P.A. 93-896, eff. 8-10-04; 94-414, eff. 12-31-05.)

Section 956. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
changing Sections 10-3.1, 10-16.7, 10-17, 10-17.7, 10-19,
10-25, 10-25.5, 10-27, and 12-4.7c as follows:

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(305 ILCS 5/10-3.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-3.1)

Sec. 10-3.1. Child and Spouse Support Unit. The Illinois 2 3 Department shall establish within its administrative staff a 4 Child and Spouse Support Unit to search for and locate absent 5 parents and spouses liable for the support of persons resident 6 in this State and to exercise the support enforcement powers 7 and responsibilities assigned the Department by this Article. 8 The unit shall cooperate with all law enforcement officials in 9 this State and with the authorities of other States in locating 10 persons responsible for the support of persons resident in 11 other States and shall invite the cooperation of these 12 authorities in the performance of its duties.

In addition to other duties assigned the Child and Spouse 13 14 Support Unit by this Article, the Unit may refer to the 15 Attorney General or units of local government with the approval 16 of the Attorney General, any actions under Sections 10-10 and 10-15 for judicial enforcement of the support liability. The 17 Child and Spouse Support Unit shall act for the Department in 18 19 referring to the Attorney General support matters requiring 20 judicial enforcement under other laws. If requested by the 21 Attorney General to so act, as provided in Section 12-16, 22 attorneys of the Unit may assist the Attorney General or 23 themselves institute actions on in behalf of the Illinois 24 Department under the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of 25 Support Act; under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or under <u>the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015</u>; under the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act; under the Non-Support Punishment Act; or under any other law, State or Federal, providing for support of a spouse or dependent child.

5 The Illinois Department shall also have the authority to 6 agreements with local governmental units enter into or 7 individuals, with the approval of the Attorney General, for the 8 collection of moneys owing because of the failure of a parent 9 to make child support payments for any child receiving services 10 under this Article. Such agreements may be on a contingent fee 11 basis, but such contingent fee shall not exceed 25% of the 12 total amount collected.

13 An attorney who provides representation pursuant to this 14 Section shall represent the Illinois Department exclusively. 15 Regardless of the designation of the plaintiff in an action 16 brought pursuant to this Section, an attorney-client 17 relationship does not exist for purposes of that action between that attorney and (i) an applicant for or recipient of child 18 support enforcement services or (ii) any other party to the 19 20 action other than the Illinois Department. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to modify any power or 21 duty 22 (including a duty to maintain confidentiality) of the Child and 23 Spouse Support Unit or the Illinois Department otherwise 24 provided by law.

The Illinois Department may also enter into agreements with local governmental units for the Child and Spouse Support Unit

exercise the investigative 1 and enforcement powers to 2 this Article, including the designated in issuance of under Section 3 administrative orders 10-11, in locating responsible relatives and obtaining support for 4 persons 5 applying for or receiving aid under Article VI. Payments for 6 defrayment of administrative costs and support payments 7 obtained shall be deposited into the DHS Recoveries Trust Fund. 8 Support payments shall be paid over to the General Assistance 9 Fund of the local governmental unit at such time or times as 10 the agreement may specify.

11 With respect to those cases in which it has support 12 enforcement powers and responsibilities under this Article, 13 the Illinois Department may provide by rule for periodic or other review of each administrative and court order for support 14 to determine whether a modification of the order should be 15 16 sought. The Illinois Department shall provide for and conduct 17 such review in accordance with any applicable federal law and 18 regulation.

As part of its process for review of orders for support, 19 20 the Illinois Department, through written notice, may require the responsible relative to disclose his or her Social Security 21 22 Number and past and present information concerning the 23 relative's address, employment, gross wages, deductions from gross wages, net wages, bonuses, commissions, number of 24 25 dependent exemptions claimed, individual and dependent health 26 insurance coverage, and any other information necessary to

determine the relative's ability to provide support in a case
 receiving child support enforcement services under this
 Article X.

The Illinois Department may send a written request for the 4 5 same information to the relative's employer. The employer shall respond to the request for information within 15 days after the 6 7 date the employer receives the request. If the employer 8 willfully fails to fully respond within the 15-day period, the 9 employer shall pay a penalty of \$100 for each day that the 10 response is not provided to the Illinois Department after the 11 15-day period has expired. The penalty may be collected in a 12 civil action which may be brought against the employer in favor 13 of the Illinois Department.

A written request for information sent to an employer 14 pursuant to this Section shall consist of (i) a citation of 15 16 this Section as the statutory authority for the request and for 17 employer's obligation to the provide the requested information, (ii) a returnable form 18 setting forth the employer's name and address and listing the name of 19 the 20 employee with respect to whom information is requested, and 21 (iii) a citation of this Section as the statutory authority 22 authorizing the employer to withhold a fee of up to \$20 from 23 the wages or income to be paid to each responsible relative for providing the information to the Illinois Department within the 24 25 15-day period. If the employer is withholding support payments 26 from the responsible relative's income pursuant to an order for

withholding, the employer may withhold the fee provided for in this Section only after withholding support as required under the order. Any amounts withheld from the responsible relative's income for payment of support and the fee provided for in this Section shall not be in excess of the amounts permitted under the federal Consumer Credit Protection Act.

7 In a case receiving child support enforcement services, the 8 Illinois Department may request and obtain information from a 9 particular employer under this Section no more than once in any 10 12-month period, unless the information is necessary to conduct 11 a review of a court or administrative order for support at the 12 request of the person receiving child support enforcement 13 services.

The Illinois Department shall establish and maintain an 14 15 administrative unit to receive and transmit to the Child and 16 Spouse Support Unit information supplied by persons applying 17 for or receiving child support enforcement services under 10-1. In addition, the Illinois Department shall 18 Section 19 address and respond to any alleged deficiencies that persons 20 receiving or applying for services from the Child and Spouse Support Unit may identify concerning the Child and Spouse 21 22 Support Unit's provision of child support enforcement 23 services. Within 60 days after an action or failure to act by the Child and Spouse Support Unit that affects his or her case, 24 25 a recipient of or applicant for child support enforcement services under Article X of this Code may request an 26

1 explanation of the Unit's handling of the case. At the 2 requestor's option, the explanation may be provided either orally in an interview, in writing, or both. If the Illinois 3 Department fails to respond to the request for an explanation 4 5 or fails to respond in a manner satisfactory to the applicant 6 or recipient within 30 days from the date of the request for an 7 explanation, the applicant or recipient may request а conference for further review of the matter by the Office of 8 9 the Administrator of the Child and Spouse Support Unit. A 10 request for a conference may be submitted at any time within 60 11 days after the explanation has been provided by the Child and 12 Spouse Support Unit or within 60 days after the time for 13 providing the explanation has expired.

14 The applicant or recipient may request a conference 15 concerning any decision denying or terminating child support 16 enforcement services under Article X of this Code, and the 17 applicant or recipient may also request a conference concerning the Unit's failure to provide services or the provision of 18 services in an amount or manner that is considered inadequate. 19 20 For purposes of this Section, the Child and Spouse Support Unit includes all local governmental units or individuals with whom 21 22 the Illinois Department has contracted under Section 10-3.1.

23 Upon receipt of a timely request for a conference, the 24 Office of the Administrator shall review the case. The 25 applicant or recipient requesting the conference shall be 26 entitled, at his or her option, to appear in person or to

participate in the conference by telephone. The applicant or 1 2 recipient requesting the conference shall be entitled to be represented and to be afforded a reasonable opportunity to 3 review the Illinois Department's file before or at the 4 5 conference. At the conference, the applicant or recipient requesting the conference shall be afforded an opportunity to 6 7 present all relevant matters in support of his or her claim. 8 Conferences shall be without cost to the applicant or recipient 9 requesting the conference and shall be conducted by a 10 representative of the Child or Spouse Support Unit who did not 11 participate in the action or inaction being reviewed.

12 The Office of the Administrator shall conduct a conference 13 and inform all interested parties, in writing, of the results 14 of the conference within 60 days from the date of filing of the 15 request for a conference.

In addition to its other powers and responsibilities established by this Article, the Child and Spouse Support Unit shall conduct an annual assessment of each institution's program for institution based paternity establishment under Section 12 of the Vital Records Act.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-613, eff. 10-1-99; 92-16,
22 eff. 6-28-01; 92-590, eff. 7-1-02.)

23 (305 ILCS 5/10-16.7)

24 Sec. 10-16.7. Child support enforcement debit 25 authorization. - 108 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

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(a) For purposes of this Section:

2 "Financial institution" and "account" are defined as set 3 forth in Section 10-24.

4 "Payor" is defined as set forth in Section 15 of the Income5 Withholding for Support Act.

6 "Order for support" means any order for periodic payment of funds to the State Disbursement Unit for the support of a child 7 or, where applicable, for support of a child and a parent with 8 9 whom the child resides, that is entered or modified under this 10 Code or under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage 11 Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the 12 Non-Support Punishment Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 13 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, or that is entered or registered for modification or enforcement under the Uniform 14 15 Interstate Family Support Act.

16 "Obligor" means an individual who owes a duty to make 17 payments under an order for support in a case in which child 18 support enforcement services are being provided under this 19 Article X.

(b) The Department of Public Aid (now Healthcare and Family Services) shall adopt a child support enforcement debit authorization form that, upon being signed by an obligor, authorizes a financial institution holding an account on the obligor's behalf to debit the obligor's account periodically in an amount equal to the amount of child support that the obligor is required to pay periodically and transfer that amount to the

State Disbursement Unit. The form shall include instructions to 1 2 the financial institution concerning the debiting of accounts held on behalf of obligors and the transfer of the debited 3 amounts to the State Disbursement Unit. In adopting the form, 4 5 the Department may consult with the Office of Banks and Real 6 Estate and the Department of Financial Institutions. The Department must adopt the form within 6 months after the 7 8 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General 9 Assembly. Promptly after adopting the form, the Department must 10 notify each financial institution conducting business in this 11 State that the form has been adopted and is ready for use.

12 (c) An obligor who does not have a payor may sign a child 13 support debit authorization form adopted by the Department 14 under this Section. The obligor may sign a form in relation to 15 any or all of the financial institutions holding an account on 16 the obligor's behalf. Promptly after an obligor signs a child 17 support debit authorization form, the Department shall send the original signed form to the appropriate financial institution. 18 19 Subject to subsection (e), upon receiving the form, the 20 financial institution shall debit the account and transfer the debited amounts to the State Disbursement Unit according to the 21 22 instructions in the form. A financial institution that complies 23 with a child support debit authorization form signed by an obligor and issued under this Section shall not be subject to 24 25 civil liability with respect to any individual or any agency. 26 (d) The signing and issuance of a child support debit

1 authorization form under this Section does not relieve the 2 obligor from responsibility for compliance with any 3 requirement under the order for support.

4 (e) A financial institution is obligated to debit the 5 account of an obligor pursuant to this Section only if or to 6 the extent:

7 (1) the financial institution reasonably believes the
8 debit authorization form is a true and authentic original
9 document;

10 (2) there are finally collected funds in the account; 11 and

12 (3) the account is not subject to offsetting claims of 13 the financial institution, whether due at the time of 14 receipt of the debit authorization form or thereafter to 15 become due and whether liquidated or unliquidated.

To the extent the account of the obligor is pledged or held by the financial institution as security for a loan or other obligation, or that the financial institution has any other claim or lien against the account, the financial institution is entitled to retain the account.

21 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

22 (305 ILCS 5/10-17) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-17)

Sec. 10-17. Other Actions and Remedies for Support. The procedures, actions and remedies provided in this Article shall in no way be exclusive, but shall be available in addition to

other actions and remedies of support, including, but not by 1 2 way of limitation, the remedies provided in (a) the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 "Paternity Act", approved July 5, 1957, 3 as amended; (b) the "Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act", 4 5 approved June 24, 1915, as amended; (b-5) the Non-Support 6 Punishment Act; and (c) the "Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act", approved August 28, 1969, as 7 8 amended.

9 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)

10 (305 ILCS 5/10-17.7)

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11 Sec. 10-17.7. Administrative determination of paternity. 12 Department may provide by rule The Illinois for the administrative determination of paternity by the Child and 13 14 Spouse Support Unit in cases involving applicants for or 15 recipients of financial aid under Article IV of this Act and 16 other persons who are given access to the child support enforcement services of this Article as provided in Section 17 10-1, including persons similarly situated and receiving 18 similar services in other states. The rules shall extend to 19 20 cases in which the mother and alleged father voluntarily 21 acknowledge paternity in the form required by the Illinois 22 Department or agree to be bound by the results of genetic testing or in which the alleged father has failed to respond to 23 24 a notification of support obligation issued under Section 10-4 25 and to cases of contested paternity. The Illinois Department's

form for voluntary acknowledgement of paternity shall be the 1 2 same form prepared by the Illinois Department for use under the requirements of Section 12 of the Vital Records Act. Any 3 presumption provided for under the Illinois Parentage Act of 4 5 1984 or under the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after the effective date of that Act shall apply to cases in which 6 7 paternity is determined under the rules of the Illinois 8 Department. The rules shall provide for notice and an 9 opportunity to be heard by the responsible relative and the 10 person receiving child support enforcement services under this 11 Article if paternity is not voluntarily acknowledged, and any 12 final administrative decision rendered by the Illinois 13 Department shall be reviewed only under and in accordance with the Administrative Review Law. Determinations of paternity 14 15 made by the Illinois Department under the rules authorized by 16 this Section shall have the full force and effect of a court 17 judgment of paternity entered under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or under the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 18

19 In determining paternity in contested cases, the Illinois 20 Department shall conduct the evidentiary hearing in accordance with Article 4 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 Section 11 21 22 of the Parentage Act of 1984, except that references in that 23 Article Section to "the court" shall be deemed to mean the Illinois Department's hearing officer in cases in which 24 25 paternity is determined administratively by the Illinois 26 Department.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, a 1 2 default determination of paternity may be made if service of the notice under Section 10-4 was made by publication under the 3 rules for administrative paternity determination authorized by 4 5 this Section. The rules as they pertain to service by publication shall (i) be based on the provisions of Section 6 7 2-206 and 2-207 of the Code of Civil Procedure, (ii) provide 8 for service by publication in cases in which the whereabouts of 9 the alleged father are unknown after diligent location efforts 10 by the Child and Spouse Support Unit, and (iii) provide for 11 publication of a notice of default paternity determination in 12 the same manner that the notice under Section 10-4 was 13 published.

The Illinois Department may implement this Section through the use of emergency rules in accordance with Section 5-45 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. For purposes of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, the adoption of rules to implement this Section shall be considered an emergency and necessary for the public interest, safety, and welfare.

20 (Source: P.A. 96-333, eff. 8-11-09; 96-474, eff. 8-14-09.)

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(305 ILCS 5/10-19) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-19)

Sec. 10-19. Support Payments Ordered Under Other Laws; where deposited. The Illinois Department and local governmental units are authorized to receive payments directed by court order for the support of recipients, as provided in

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1 the following Acts:

1. "Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act", approved June
 24, 1915, as amended,

4 1.5. The Non-Support Punishment Act,

5 2. "Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act", as
6 now or hereafter amended,

- 7 3. The Illinois Parentage Act, as amended,
- 8 <u>3.5. The Illinois Parentage Act of 2015</u>,

9 4. "Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support
10 Act", approved August 28, 1969, as amended,

5. The Juvenile Court Act or the Juvenile Court Act of
 1987, as amended,

13 6. The "Unified Code of Corrections", approved July 26,
 14 1972, as amended,

15 7. Part 7 of Article XII of the Code of Civil Procedure, asamended,

17 8. Part 8 of Article XII of the Code of Civil Procedure, as18 amended, and

9. Other laws which may provide by judicial order for
 direct payment of support moneys.

Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department pursuant to the Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act shall be paid into the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund. All payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Human Services shall be deposited in the DHS Recoveries Trust Fund. Disbursements from these funds shall be as provided in Sections 12-9.1 and 12-10.2 of this Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General Assistance Fund.

4 To the extent the provisions of this Section are 5 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State 6 Disbursement Unit under Sections 10-10.4 and 10-26 of this 7 Code, the requirements pertaining to the State Disbursement 8 Unit shall apply.

9 (Source: P.A. 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-613,
10 eff. 10-1-99; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

11 (305 ILCS 5/10-25)

Sec. 10-25. Administrative liens and levies on real property for past-due child support.

14 (a) Notwithstanding any other State or local law to the 15 contrary, the State shall have a lien on all legal and 16 equitable interests of responsible relatives in their real property in the amount of past-due child support owing pursuant 17 to an order for child support entered under Sections 10-10 and 18 10-11 of this Code, or under the Illinois Marriage and 19 20 Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 21 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Uniform 22 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 23 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

(b) The Illinois Department shall provide by rule fornotice to and an opportunity to be heard by each responsible

relative affected, and any final administrative decision
 rendered by the Illinois Department shall be reviewed only
 under and in accordance with the Administrative Review Law.

(c) When enforcing a lien under subsection (a) of this 4 5 Section, the Illinois Department shall have the authority to execute notices of administrative liens and levies, which shall 6 7 contain the name and address of the responsible relative, a 8 legal description of the real property to be levied, the fact 9 that a lien is being claimed for past-due child support, and 10 such other information as the Illinois Department may by rule 11 prescribe. The Illinois Department shall record the notice of 12 lien with the recorder or registrar of titles of the county or 13 counties in which the real estate is located.

The State's lien under subsection 14 (d) (a) shall be 15 enforceable upon the recording or filing of a notice of lien with the recorder or registrar of titles of the county or 16 17 counties in which the real estate is located. The lien shall be prior to any lien thereafter recorded or filed and shall be 18 19 notice to a subsequent purchaser, assignor, or encumbrancer of 20 the existence and nature of the lien. The lien shall be inferior to the lien of general taxes, special assessment, and 21 22 special taxes heretofore or hereafter levied by any political 23 subdivision or municipal corporation of the State.

In the event that title to the land to be affected by the notice of lien is registered under the Registered Titles (Torrens) Act, the notice shall be filed in the office of the

registrar of titles as a memorial or charge upon each folium of the register of titles affected by the notice; but the State shall not have a preference over the rights of any bona fide purchaser, mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lien holders registered prior to the registration of the notice.

6 (e) The recorder or registrar of titles of each county shall procure a file labeled "Child Support Lien Notices" and 7 8 an index book labeled "Child Support Lien Notices". When notice 9 of any lien is presented to the recorder or registrar of titles 10 for filing, the recorder or registrar of titles shall file it 11 in numerical order in the file and shall enter it 12 alphabetically in the index. The entry shall show the name and last known address of the person named in the notice, the 13 14 serial number of the notice, the date and hour of filing, and 15 the amount of child support due at the time when the lien is 16 filed.

(f) The Illinois Department shall not be required to furnish bond or make a deposit for or pay any costs or fees of any court or officer thereof in any legal proceeding involving the lien.

(g) To protect the lien of the State for past-due child support, the Illinois Department may, from funds that are available for that purpose, pay or provide for the payment of necessary or essential repairs, purchase tax certificates, pay balances due on land contracts, or pay or cause to be satisfied any prior liens on the property to which the lien hereunder

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1 applies.

2 (h) A lien on real property under this Section shall be
3 released pursuant to Section 12-101 of the Code of Civil
4 Procedure.

5 (i) The Illinois Department, acting in behalf of the State, 6 may foreclose the lien in a judicial proceeding to the same 7 extent and in the same manner as in the enforcement of other 8 liens. The process, practice, and procedure for the foreclosure 9 shall be the same as provided in the Code of Civil Procedure.

10 (Source: P.A. 97-186, eff. 7-22-11.)

11 (305 ILCS 5/10-25.5)

Sec. 10-25.5. Administrative liens and levies on personal property for past-due child support.

(a) Notwithstanding any other State or local law to the 14 15 contrary, the State shall have a lien on all legal and 16 equitable interests of responsible relatives in their personal property, including any account in a financial institution as 17 defined in Section 10-24, or in the case of an insurance 18 19 company or benefit association only in accounts as defined in 20 Section 10-24, in the amount of past-due child support owing 21 pursuant to an order for child support entered under Sections 22 10-10 and 10-11 of this Code, or under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 23 24 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Uniform 25 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of

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1 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

2 (b) The Illinois Department shall provide by rule for 3 notice to and an opportunity to be heard by each responsible 4 relative affected, and any final administrative decision 5 rendered by the Illinois Department shall be reviewed only 6 under and in accordance with the Administrative Review Law.

7 (c) When enforcing a lien under subsection (a) of this 8 Section, the Illinois Department shall have the authority to 9 execute notices of administrative liens and levies, which shall 10 contain the name and address of the responsible relative, a 11 description of the property to be levied, the fact that a lien 12 is being claimed for past-due child support, and such other information as the Illinois Department may by rule prescribe. 13 The Illinois Department may serve the notice of lien or levy 14 15 upon any financial institution where the accounts as defined in 16 Section 10-24 of the responsible relative may be held, for 17 encumbrance or surrender of the accounts as defined in Section 10-24 by the financial institution. 18

(d) The Illinois Department shall enforce its lien against the responsible relative's personal property, other than accounts as defined in Section 10-24 in financial institutions, and levy upon such personal property in the manner provided for enforcement of judgments contained in Article XII of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(e) The Illinois Department shall not be required tofurnish bond or make a deposit for or pay any costs or fees of

1 any court or officer thereof in any legal proceeding involving 2 the lien.

3 (f) To protect the lien of the State for past-due child 4 support, the Illinois Department may, from funds that are 5 available for that purpose, pay or provide for the payment of 6 necessary or essential repairs, purchase tax certificates, or 7 pay or cause to be satisfied any prior liens on the property to 8 which the lien hereunder applies.

9 (q) A lien on personal property under this Section shall be 10 released in the manner provided under Article XII of the Code 11 of Civil Procedure. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a lien under 12 this Section on accounts as defined in Section 10-24 shall expire upon the passage of 120 days from the date of issuance 13 of the Notice of Lien or Levy by the Illinois Department. 14 15 However, the lien shall remain in effect during the pendency of 16 any appeal or protest.

(h) A lien created under this Section is subordinate to any prior lien of the financial institution or any prior lien holder or any prior right of set-off that the financial institution may have against the assets, or in the case of an insurance company or benefit association only in the accounts as defined in Section 10-24.

(i) A financial institution has no obligation under this Section to hold, encumber, or surrender the assets, or in the case of an insurance company or benefit association only the accounts as defined in Section 10-24, until the financial

institution has been properly served with a subpoena, summons,
 warrant, court or administrative order, or administrative lien
 and levy requiring that action.

4 (Source: P.A. 97-186, eff. 7-22-11.)

5 (305 ILCS 5/10-27)

6 Sec. 10-27. State Case Registry.

7 (a) The Illinois Department shall establish an automated 8 State Case Registry to contain records concerning child support parties receiving child support enforcement 9 orders for 10 services under this Article X, and for all child support orders 11 entered or modified on or after October 1, 1998. The State Case 12 Registry shall include (i) the information filed with the 13 Illinois Department, or filed with the clerk of the circuit 14 court and provided to the Illinois Department, under the 15 provisions of Sections 10-10.5 and 10-11.2 of this Code, 16 Section 505.3 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, Section 30 of the Non-Support Punishment Act, and 17 18 Section 803 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, and Section 14.1 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, and (ii) any other 19 20 information required under Title IV, Part D of the Social 21 Security Act or by the federal Department of Health and Human 22 Services.

23 (b) (Blank).

(c) The Illinois Department shall maintain the followingpayment information on child support orders for parties

1 receiving child support enforcement services under this
2 Article X:

3 (1) the amount of monthly or other periodic support
4 owed under the order and other amounts, including
5 arrearages, interest or late payment penalties, and fees,
6 due or overdue under the order;

7 (2) any amounts described in subdivision (1) of
8 subsection (d) that have been collected;

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(3) the distribution of the collected amounts; and

10 (4) the amount of any lien imposed with respect to the
11 order pursuant to Section 10-25 or Section 10-25.5 of this
12 Code.

13 (d) The Illinois Department shall establish, update, 14 maintain, and monitor case records in the Registry of parties 15 receiving child support enforcement services under this 16 Article X, on the bases of:

17 (1) information on administrative actions and
18 administrative and judicial proceedings and orders
19 relating to paternity and support;

20 (2) information obtained from comparison with federal,
21 State, and local sources of information;

(3) information on support collections anddistribution; and

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(4) any other relevant information.

(e) The Illinois Department shall use the automated StateCase Registry to share and compare information with, and

receive information from, other data bases and information 1 2 comparison services in order to obtain (or provide) information 3 necessary to enable the Illinois Department (or the federal Department of Health and Human Services or other State or 4 5 federal agencies) to carry out the requirements of the child 6 support enforcement program established under Title IV, Part D 7 of the Social Security Act. Such information comparison 8 activities shall include the following:

9 (1) Furnishing to the Federal Case Registry of Child 10 Support Orders (and updating as necessary, with 11 information including notice of expiration of orders) the 12 information specified by the federal Department of Health 13 and Human Services in regulations.

14 (2) Exchanging information with the Federal Parent
 15 Locator Service for the purposes specified in Section 453
 16 of the Social Security Act.

(3) Exchanging information with State agencies (of
this State and of other states) administering programs
funded under Title IV, Part A and Title XIX of the Social
Security Act and other programs designated by the federal
Department of Health and Human Services, as necessary to
perform responsibilities under Title IV, Part D of the
Social Security Act and under such other programs.

(4) Exchanging information with other agencies of this
 State, agencies of other states, and interstate
 information networks, as necessary and appropriate to

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1 2 carry out (or assist other states to carry out) the purposes of Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act.

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(5) Disclosing information to any other entities as required under Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act.

5 (f) The Illinois Department shall adopt rules establishing safeguards, all confidential 6 applicable to information 7 included in the State Case Registry, that are designed to 8 protect the privacy rights of persons concerning whom 9 information is on record in the State Case Registry. Such 10 safequards shall include, but not be limited to the following:

(1) Prohibitions against the release of information on the whereabouts of one party or the child to another party against whom a protective order with respect to the former party or the child has been entered.

15 (2) Prohibitions against the release of information on 16 the whereabouts of one party or the child to another party 17 the Illinois Department has reasonable evidence of if domestic violence or child abuse (that is, allegations of 18 19 domestic violence or child abuse, unless the Illinois 20 Department has an independent, reasonable basis to find the 21 person making the allegation not credible) to the former 22 party or child by the party requesting information.

(3) Prohibitions against the release of information on
the whereabouts of one party or the child to another person
if the Illinois Department has reason to believe the
release of information to that person may result in

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- physical or emotional harm to the party or child.
 (Source: P.A. 92-463, eff. 8-22-01.)
 - 3 (305 ILCS 5/12-4.7c)

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4 Sec. 12-4.7c. Exchange of information after July 1, 1997. 5 (a) The Department of Human Services shall exchange with 6 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services information 7 that may be necessary for the enforcement of child support 8 orders entered pursuant to Sections 10-10 and 10-11 of this 9 Code or pursuant to the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of 10 Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the 11 Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal 12 Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform Interstate Family 13 Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the 14 Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the contrary, the Department of Human Services shall not be liable to any person for any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) under subsection (a) or for any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of subsection (a).

22 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

Section 957. The Genetic Information Privacy Act is amended
by changing Sections 22 and 30 as follows:

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Sec. 22. Tests to determine inherited characteristics in 2 3 paternity proceedings. Nothing in this Act shall be construed 4 to affect or restrict in any way the ordering of or use of 5 results from deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing or other tests 6 to determine inherited characteristics by the court in a 7 judicial proceeding under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or 8 under the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after the 9 effective date of that Act or by the Department of Healthcare 10 and Family Services in an administrative paternity proceeding 11 under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code and rules 12 promulgated under that Article.

13 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

14 (410 ILCS 513/30)

15 Sec. 30. Disclosure of person tested and test results.

16 (a) No person may disclose or be compelled to disclose the 17 identity of any person upon whom a genetic test is performed or 18 the results of a genetic test in a manner that permits 19 identification of the subject of the test, except to the 20 following persons:

(1) The subject of the test or the subject's legally
authorized representative. This paragraph does not create
a duty or obligation under which a health care provider
must notify the subject's spouse or legal guardian of the

test results, and no such duty or obligation shall be implied. No civil liability or criminal sanction under this Act shall be imposed for any disclosure or nondisclosure of a test result to a spouse by a physician acting in good faith under this paragraph. For the purpose of any proceedings, civil or criminal, the good faith of any physician acting under this paragraph shall be presumed.

8 (2) Any person designated in a specific written legally 9 effective authorization for release of the test results 10 executed by the subject of the test or the subject's 11 legally authorized representative.

12 (3) An authorized agent or employee of a health 13 facility or health care provider if the health facility or 14 health care provider itself is authorized to obtain the 15 test results, the agent or employee provides patient care, 16 and the agent or employee has a need to know the 17 information in order to conduct the tests or provide care 18 or treatment.

(4) A health facility, health care provider, or health
care professional that procures, processes, distributes,
or uses:

(A) a human body part from a deceased person with
respect to medical information regarding that person;
or

(B) semen provided prior to the effective date of
this Act for the purpose of artificial insemination.

(5) Health facility staff committees for the purposes
 of conducting program monitoring, program evaluation, or
 service reviews.

(6) In the case of a minor under 18 years of age, the 4 5 health care provider, health care professional, or health facility who ordered the test shall make a reasonable 6 7 effort to notify the minor's parent or legal guardian if, 8 in the professional judgment of the health care provider, 9 health care professional, or health facility, notification 10 would be in the best interest of the minor and the health 11 provider, health care professional, or health care 12 facility has first sought unsuccessfully to persuade the 13 minor to notify the parent or legal guardian or after a 14 reasonable time after the minor has agreed to notify the 15 parent or legal guardian, the health care provider, health 16 care professional, or health facility has reason to believe 17 that the minor has not made the notification. This paragraph shall not create a duty or obligation under which 18 19 a health care provider, health care professional, or health 20 facility must notify the minor's parent or legal guardian 21 of the test results, nor shall a duty or obligation be 22 implied. No civil liability or criminal sanction under this 23 Act shall be imposed for any notification or 24 non-notification of a minor's test result by a health care 25 provider, health care professional, or health facility 26 acting in good faith under this paragraph. For the purpose

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1 2 of any proceeding, civil or criminal, the good faith of any health care provider, health care professional, or health facility acting under this paragraph shall be presumed.

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(b) All information and records held by a State agency, 4 5 local health authority, or health oversight agency pertaining to genetic information shall be strictly confidential and 6 exempt from copying and inspection under the Freedom of 7 Information Act. The information and records shall not be 8 9 released or made public by the State agency, local health 10 authority, or health oversight agency and shall not be 11 admissible as evidence nor discoverable in any action of any 12 kind in any court or before any tribunal, board, agency, or person and shall be treated in the same manner 13 as the 14 information and those records subject to the provisions of Part 15 21 of Article VIII of the Code of Civil Procedure except under 16 the following circumstances:

17 (A) when made with the written consent of all
18 persons to whom the information pertains;

(B) when authorized by Section 5-4-3 of the Unified
Code of Corrections;

(C) when made for the sole purpose of implementing
the Newborn Metabolic Screening Act and rules; or

(D) when made under the authorization of the
Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984.

Disclosure shall be limited to those who have a need to know the information, and no additional disclosures may be - 130 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

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1 made.

2 (c) Disclosure by an insurer in accordance with the 3 requirements of the Article XL of the Illinois Insurance Code 4 shall be deemed compliance with this Section.

5 (Source: P.A. 98-1046, eff. 1-1-15.)

Section 958. The Vital Records Act is amended by changing
Sections 12 and 24 as follows:

8 (410 ILCS 535/12)

9 Sec. 12. Live births; place of registration.

10 (1) Each live birth which occurs in this State shall be 11 registered with the local or subregistrar of the district in which the birth occurred as provided in this Section, within 7 12 13 days after the birth. When a birth occurs on a moving 14 conveyance, the city, village, township, or road district in 15 which the child is first removed from the conveyance shall be considered the place of birth and a birth certificate shall be 16 filed in the registration district in which the place is 17 18 located.

19 (2) When a birth occurs in an institution, the person in 20 charge of the institution or his designated representative 21 shall obtain and record all the personal and statistical 22 particulars relative to the parents of the child that are 23 required to properly complete the live birth certificate; shall 24 secure the required personal signatures on the hospital worksheet; shall prepare the certificate from this worksheet; and shall file the certificate with the local registrar. The institution shall retain the hospital worksheet permanently or as otherwise specified by rule. The physician in attendance shall verify or provide the date of birth and medical information required by the certificate, within 24 hours after the birth occurs.

8 (3) When a birth occurs outside an institution, the 9 certificate shall be prepared and filed by one of the following 10 in the indicated order of priority:

(a) The physician in attendance at or immediately after
the birth, or in the absence of such a person,

13 (b) Any other person in attendance at or immediately14 after the birth, or in the absence of such a person,

(c) The father, the mother, or in the absence of the
father and the inability of the mother, the person in
charge of the premises where the birth occurred.

(4) Unless otherwise provided in this Act, if the mother was not married to the father of the child at either the time of conception or the time of birth, the name of the father shall be entered on the child's birth certificate only if the mother and the person to be named as the father have signed an acknowledgment of parentage in accordance with subsection (5).

Unless otherwise provided in this Act, if the mother was married at the time of conception or birth and the presumed father (that is, the mother's husband) is not the biological

father of the child, the name of the biological father shall be entered on the child's birth certificate only if, in accordance with subsection (5), (i) the mother and the person to be named as the father have signed an acknowledgment of parentage and (ii) the mother and presumed father have signed a denial of paternity.

7 (5) Upon the birth of a child to an unmarried woman, or 8 upon the birth of a child to a woman who was married at the time 9 of conception or birth and whose husband is not the biological 10 father of the child, the institution at the time of birth and 11 the local registrar or county clerk after the birth shall do 12 the following:

13 (a) Provide (i) an opportunity for the child's mother 14 and father to sign an acknowledgment of parentage and (ii) 15 if the presumed father is not the biological father, an 16 opportunity for the mother and presumed father to sign a 17 denial of paternity. The signing and witnessing of the acknowledgment of parentage or, if the presumed father of 18 19 the child is not the biological father, the acknowledgment 20 of parentage and denial of paternity conclusively 21 establishes a parent and child relationship in accordance 22 with Sections 5 and 6 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 23 and with the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after 24 the effective date of that Act.

25 The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall 26 furnish the acknowledgment of parentage and denial of

paternity form to institutions, county clerks, and State 1 2 and local registrars' offices. The form shall include 3 instructions to send the original signed and witnessed acknowledgment of parentage and denial of paternity to the 4 5 Department of Healthcare and Familv Services. The 6 acknowledgement of paternity and denial of paternity form 7 shall also include a statement informing the mother, the 8 alleged father, and the presumed father, if any, that they 9 have the right to request deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) tests 10 regarding the issue of the child's paternity and that by 11 signing the form, they expressly waive such tests. The 12 statement shall be set forth in bold-face capital letters 13 not less than 0.25 inches in height.

(b) Provide the following documents, furnished by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, to the child's mother, biological father, and (if the person presumed to be the child's father is not the biological father) presumed father for their review at the time the opportunity is provided to establish a parent and child relationship:

21 (i) An explanation of the implications of, 22 alternatives to, legal consequences of, and the rights 23 responsibilities that arise and from signing an 24 acknowledgment of parentage and, if necessary, a 25 denial of paternity, including an explanation of the 26 parental rights and responsibilities of child support,

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visitation, custody, retroactive support, health insurance coverage, and payment of birth expenses.

(ii) An explanation of the benefits of having a child's parentage established and the availability of parentage establishment and child support enforcement services.

7 (iii) A request for an application for child
8 support enforcement services from the Department of
9 Healthcare and Family Services.

10 (iv) Instructions concerning the opportunity to 11 speak, either by telephone or in person, with staff of 12 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services who 13 are trained to clarify information and answer 14 questions about paternity establishment.

(v) Instructions for completing and signing theacknowledgment of parentage and denial of paternity.

17 (c) Provide an oral explanation of the documents and instructions set forth in subdivision (5)(b), including an 18 19 explanation of the implications of, alternatives to, legal 20 consequences of, and the rights and responsibilities that 21 arise from signing an acknowledgment of parentage and, if 22 necessary, a denial of paternity. The oral explanation may 23 be given in person or through the use of video or audio 24 equipment.

(6) The institution, State or local registrar, or countyclerk shall provide an opportunity for the child's father or

mother to sign a rescission of parentage. The signing and 1 2 rescission of parentage witnessing of the voids the 3 acknowledgment of parentage and nullifies the presumption of paternity if executed and filed with the Department of 4 5 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) within the time frame contained in Section 5 of 6 the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or Section 307 of the 7 8 Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after the effective date 9 of that Act. The Department of Healthcare and Family Services 10 shall furnish the rescission of parentage form to institutions, 11 county clerks, and State and local registrars' offices. The 12 form shall include instructions to send the original signed and 13 witnessed rescission of parentage to the Department of 14 Healthcare and Family Services.

15 (7) An acknowledgment of paternity signed pursuant to 16 Section 6 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or Section 302 17 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after the effective date of that Act may be challenged in court only on 18 19 the basis of fraud, duress, or material mistake of fact, with the burden of proof upon the challenging party. Pending outcome 20 of a challenge to the acknowledgment of paternity, the legal 21 22 responsibilities of the signatories shall remain in full force 23 and effect, except upon order of the court upon a showing of 24 good cause.

(8) When the process for acknowledgment of parentage as
 provided for under subsection (5) establishes the paternity of

a child whose certificate of birth is on file in another state, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall forward a copy of the acknowledgment of parentage, the denial of paternity, if applicable, and the rescission of parentage, if applicable, to the birth record agency of the state where the child's certificate of birth is on file.

7 (9) In the event the parent-child relationship has been 8 established in accordance with subdivision (a)(1) of Section 6 9 of the Parentage Act of 1984, the names of the biological 10 mother and biological father so established shall be entered on 11 the child's birth certificate, and the names of the surrogate 12 mother and surrogate mother's husband, if any, shall not be on 13 the birth certificate.

14 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 96-333, eff. 8-11-09; 15 96-474, eff. 8-14-09; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10.)

16 (410 ILCS 535/24) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 73-24)

Sec. 24. (1) To protect the integrity of vital records, to 17 18 insure their proper use, and to insure the efficient and proper administration of the vital records system, access to vital 19 records, and indexes thereof, including vital records in the 20 21 custody of local registrars and county clerks originating prior 22 to January 1, 1916, is limited to the custodian and his employees, and then only for administrative purposes, except 23 24 that the indexes of those records in the custody of local 25 registrars and county clerks, originating prior to January 1,

1 1916, shall be made available to persons for the purpose of 2 genealogical research. Original, photographic or microphotographic reproductions of original records of births 3 100 years old and older and deaths 50 years old and older, and 4 5 marriage records 75 years old and older on file in the State 6 Office of Vital Records and in the custody of the county clerks 7 may be made available for inspection in the Illinois State 8 Archives reference area, Illinois Regional Archives 9 Depositories, and other libraries approved by the Illinois 10 State Registrar and the Director of the Illinois State 11 Archives, provided that the photographic or microphotographic 12 copies are made at no cost to the county or to the State of 13 Illinois. It is unlawful for any custodian to permit inspection of, or to disclose information contained in, vital records, or 14 to copy or permit to be copied, all or part of any such record 15 16 except as authorized by this Act or regulations adopted 17 pursuant thereto.

18 (2) The State Registrar of Vital Records, or his agent, and 19 any municipal, county, multi-county, public health district, 20 or regional health officer recognized by the Department may 21 examine vital records for the purpose only of carrying out the 22 public health programs and responsibilities under his 33 jurisdiction.

(3) The State Registrar of Vital Records, may disclose, or
 authorize the disclosure of, data contained in the vital
 records when deemed essential for bona fide research purposes

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1 which are not for private gain.

2 This amendatory Act of 1973 does not apply to any home rule 3 unit.

(4) The State Registrar shall exchange with the Department 4 5 of Healthcare and Family Services information that may be 6 necessary for the establishment of paternity and the 7 establishment, modification, and enforcement of child support 8 orders entered pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the 9 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the 10 Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support 11 Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of 12 Support Act, the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, or the 13 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act 14 of 2015. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Act to the 15 contrary, the State Registrar shall not be liable to any person 16 for any disclosure of information to the Department of 17 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) under this subsection or for any other action 18 19 taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this 20 subsection.

21 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

22 Section 959. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by 23 changing Sections 2-109.1 and 7-703 as follows:

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Sec. 2-109.1. Exchange of information.

2 (a) The Secretary of State shall exchange information with 3 the Department of Healthcare and Family Services which may be necessary for the establishment of paternity and the 4 5 establishment, modification, and enforcement of child support 6 orders pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of 7 8 Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the 9 Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the 10 Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois 11 Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

12 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the 13 contrary, the Secretary of State shall not be liable to any 14 person for any disclosure of information to the Department of 15 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department 16 of Public Aid) under subsection (a) or for any other action 17 taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of 18 subsection (a).

19 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

20 (625 ILCS 5/7-703)

Sec. 7-703. Courts to report non-payment of court ordered support or orders concerning driving privileges.

(a) The clerk of the circuit court, as provided in
subsection (b) of Section 505 of the Illinois Marriage and
Dissolution of Marriage Act or as provided in Section 15 of the

1 Illinois Parentage Act of <u>2015</u> 1984, shall forward to the 2 Secretary of State, on a form prescribed by the Secretary, an 3 authenticated document certifying the court's order suspending 4 the driving privileges of the obligor. For any such 5 certification, the clerk of the court shall charge the obligor 6 a fee of \$5 as provided in the Clerks of Courts Act.

7 (b) If an obligor has been adjudicated in arrears in court 8 ordered child support payments in an amount equal to 90 days 9 obligation or more but has not been held in contempt of court, 10 the circuit court may order that the obligor's driving 11 privileges be suspended. If the circuit court orders that the 12 obligor's driving privileges be suspended, it shall forward to the Secretary of State, on a form prescribed by the Secretary, 13 authenticated document certifying the 14 court's order an suspending the driving privileges of the 15 obligor. The 16 authenticated document shall be forwarded to the Secretary of 17 State by the court no later than 45 days after entry of the order suspending the obligor's driving privileges. 18

19 (C) The clerk of the circuit court, as provided in subsection (c-1) of Section 607.1 of the Illinois Marriage and 20 Dissolution of Marriage Act, shall forward to the Secretary of 21 22 State, on a form prescribed by the Secretary, an authenticated 23 document certifying the court's order suspending the driving privileges of the party. For any such certification, the clerk 24 25 of the court shall charge the party a fee of \$5 as provided in the Clerks of Courts Act. 26

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(d) If a party has been adjudicated to have engaged in 1 2 visitation abuse, the circuit court may order that the party's 3 driving privileges be suspended. If the circuit court orders that the party's driving privileges be suspended, it shall 4 5 forward to the Secretary of State, on a form prescribed by the 6 Secretary, an authenticated document certifying the court's 7 order suspending the driving privileges of the party. The authenticated document shall be forwarded to the Secretary of 8 9 State by the court no later than 45 days after entry of the 10 order suspending the party's driving privileges.

11 (Source: P.A. 97-1047, eff. 8-21-12.)

Section 960. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing Section 27.1a as follows:

14 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a)

15 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in all counties having a population of not more than 500,000 16 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be 17 as provided in this Section. In those instances where a minimum 18 and maximum fee is stated, the clerk of the circuit court must 19 20 charge the minimum fee listed and may charge up to the maximum 21 fee if the county board has by resolution increased the fee. The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows: 22

23 (a) Civil Cases.

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The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other

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pleading initiating a civil action, with the following exceptions, shall be a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$160.

4 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
5 value of personal property claimed does not exceed
6 \$250, \$10.

7 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not
8 exceed \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20.

9 (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not 10 exceed \$2500, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$75.

(E) For the exercise of eminent domain, a minimum
of \$45 and a maximum of \$150. For each additional lot
or tract of land or right or interest therein subject
to be condemned, the damages in respect to which shall
require separate assessment by a jury, a minimum of \$45
and a maximum of \$150.

19 (a-1) Family.

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20 For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act of 21 1987, \$25.

22 For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10.

23 For performing a marriage in court, \$10.

24 For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage Act 25 of <u>2015</u> 1984, \$40.

26 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In each forcible entry and detainer case when the 1 2 plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her 3 claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, a minimum 4 5 of \$10 and a maximum of \$50. When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or 6 7 damages or both exceeding \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$160. 8

(c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

10 When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his 11 or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a 12 third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an 13 14 amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay had 15 he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought 16 in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, 17 less the amount of the appearance fee, if that has been 18 paid.

19 (d) Confession of Judgment.

In a confession of judgment when the amount does not exceed \$1500, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$50. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$115. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, a minimum of \$40 and a maximum of \$200.

25 (e) Appearance.

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The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case

shall be a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60, except as
follows:

3 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and
4 detainer case seeks possession only, a minimum of \$10
5 and a maximum of \$50.

6 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed 7 \$1500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

8 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not
9 exceed \$15,000, a minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60.
10 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed \$1,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$15; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$30; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000, a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$50.

17 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.

(1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or 18 19 order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer cases 20 and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an estate, 21 to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for 22 child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or 23 terminate an order for withholding, if filed before 30 days 24 after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$20 25 and a maximum of \$50.

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(2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment or

order of court, except a petition to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support or to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed later than 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$75.

6 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, a 7 minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

(h) Mailing.

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9 When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be a 10 minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10, plus the cost of 11 postage.

12 (i) Certified Copies.

Each certified copy of a judgment after the first, except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer cases, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$10.

16 (j) Habeas Corpus.

17 For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, a18 minimum of \$60 and a maximum of \$100.

19 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

20 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking
21 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in writing
22 with the seal of office, a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of
23 \$6.

(2) Court appeals when original documents are
 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a
 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$60.

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1 (3) Court appeals when original documents are 2 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, a 3 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150.

4 (4) Court appeals when original documents are
5 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of a minimum
6 of 20 cents and a maximum of 25 cents per page.

7 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the8 clerk's files:

9 (A) First page, a minimum of \$1 and a maximum of 10 \$2.

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(B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.

12 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

13 (1) Remands.

14 In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the 15 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the 16 clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case 17 with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk shall not charge any new or additional fee for the 18 19 reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise 20 the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the 21 same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as 22 he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new 23 fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.

(m) Record Search.

25 For each record search, within a division or municipal 26 district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6 for each year searched.
 (n) Hard Copy.

For each page of hard copy print output, when case records are maintained on an automated medium, the clerk shall be entitled to a fee of a minimum of \$4 and a maximum of \$6.

(o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

8 No fee shall be for charged single а 9 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record 10 inquiry when this request is made in person and the records 11 are maintained in a current automated medium, and when no 12 hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged 13 management records, multiple case records, for and 14 multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief 15 Judge pursuant to the quidelines for access and 16 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 17 Court.

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19 (q) Alias Summons.

For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk,
a minimum of \$2 and a maximum of \$5.

22 (r) Other Fees.

Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts.

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The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional 1 services for which there is no fee specified by statute in 2 3 connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and 4 5 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any 6 charges for additional services shall be as agreed to 7 between the clerk and the party making the request and 8 approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing 9 in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk 10 to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

11 (s) Jury Services.

12 The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to other fees allowed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50 13 14 and a maximum of \$212.50, as a fee for the services of a 15 jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature 16 and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of 17 eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee 18 19 shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of 20 filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either 21 party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, 22 and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

23 (t) Voluntary Assignment.

For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20; for recording the same, a minimum of 25 cents and a maximum of 50 cents for each 100

words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee 1 2 of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for 3 the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which 4 5 the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be 6 considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant 7 or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those 8 parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees 9 as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

10 (u) Expungement Petition.

11 The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of a 12 minimum of \$15 and a maximum of \$60 for each expungement 13 petition filed and an additional fee of a minimum of \$2 and 14 a maximum of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to 15 expunge arrest records.

16 (v) Probate.

The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, or release the costs payable under this subsection:

(1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
(whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person, a
minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$150, plus the fees
specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

(A) When the value of the real and personal
property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a

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minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made, (ii)
a domestic or foreign will is admitted to probate
without administration (including proof of heirship),
or (iii) letters of office are issued for a particular
purpose without administration of the estate, the fee
shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40.

8 (C) For filing a petition to sell Real Estate, \$50. 9 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward, a 10 minimum of \$50 and a maximum of \$75, plus the fees 11 specified in subsection (v) (3), except:

12 (A) When the value of the real and personal
13 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be a
14 minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$40.

(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a 15 16 guardian of the person or persons, but not of the estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the 17 estate of a ward without administration of the estate, 18 19 including filing or joining in the filing of a tax 20 return or releasing a mortgage or consenting to the 21 marriage of the ward, the fee shall be a minimum of \$10 22 and a maximum of \$20.

(C) For filing a Petition to sell Real Estate, \$50.
(3) In addition to the fees payable under subsection
(v) (1) or (v) (2) of this Section, the following fees are
payable:

(A) For each account (other than one final account)
 filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, a minimum
 of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount 4 5 claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$25; when the amount claimed is 6 7 \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$40; when the amount claimed is 8 9 \$10,000 or more, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$60; 10 provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to 11 the amount allowed the filing fee paid by the claimant.

(C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition, or
supplemental proceeding based upon an action seeking
equitable relief including the construction or contest
of a will, enforcement of a contract to make a will,
and proceedings involving testamentary trusts or the
appointment of testamentary trustees, a minimum of \$40
and a maximum of \$60.

(D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance of
any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the
appearance of an executor, administrator,
administrator to collect, guardian, guardian ad litem,
or special administrator, no fee.

(E) Except as provided in subsection (v) (3) (D),
for filing the appearance of any person or persons, a
minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$30.

(F) For each jury demand, a minimum of \$62.50 and a
 maximum of \$137.50.

3 (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death 4 5 of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when 6 there is no other administration of the estate, a 7 minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$50, less any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except 8 9 that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000, the fee, including any amount paid under subsection 10 11 (v) (1) (B) or (v) (2) (B), shall be a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20. 12

(H) For each certified copy of letters of office,
of court order or other certification, a minimum of \$1
and a maximum of \$2, plus a minimum of 50 cents and a
maximum of \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the
document certified.

18 (I) For each exemplification, a minimum of \$1 and a
19 maximum of \$2, plus the fee for certification.

(4) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner,
or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay
the cost of publication by the clerk directly to the
newspaper.

(5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred for
witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other miscellaneous
fee shall pay the same directly to the person entitled

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2 (6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner, 3 or other interested person or his or her attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in 4 5 mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other documents pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act of 1975. 6 7 (w) Criminal and Ouasi-Criminal Costs and Fees. (1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all 8 9 criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person 10 convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows: 11 (A) Felony complaints, a minimum of \$40 and a 12 maximum of \$100. 13 (B) Misdemeanor complaints, a minimum of \$25 and a 14 maximum of \$75. 15 (C) Business offense complaints, a minimum of \$25 16 and a maximum of \$75. 17 (D) Petty offense complaints, a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$75. 18 19 (E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10. 20 (F) When court appearance required, \$15. (G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders, a 21 22 minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 23 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40. 24 25 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, whenever 26 filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

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(J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures, whenever filed, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

(K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of State, a minimum of \$20 and a maximum of \$40.

6 (2) In counties having a population of not more than 7 500,000 inhabitants, when the violation complaint is 8 issued by a municipal police department, the clerk shall be 9 entitled to costs from each person convicted therein as 10 follows:

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(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, \$10.

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(B) When court appearance required, \$15.

In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine 13 (3) 14 only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to 15 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the 16 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other 17 fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of a minimum of \$62.50 and a maximum of \$137.50 as a fee for the 18 19 services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the 20 defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If 21 the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be 22 called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a 23 jury.

(x) Transcripts of Judgment.

For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the

1 commencement of a new suit.

2 (y) Change of Venue.

3 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change of
4 venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it
5 were the commencement of a new suit.

6 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification of a 7 record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when 8 original documents are forwarded, a minimum of \$10 and a 9 maximum of \$40.

10 (z) Tax objection complaints.

For each tax objection complaint containing one or more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels involved or the number of taxpayers joining on the complaint, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$50.

15 (aa) Tax Deeds.

16 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is
17 involved, a minimum of \$45 and a maximum of \$200.

18 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of a minimum19 of \$10 and a maximum of \$60.

20 (bb) Collections.

(1) For all collections made of others, except the
State and county and except in maintenance or child support
cases, a sum equal to a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 2.5%
of the amount collected and turned over.

(2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerkshall be turned over to the county general fund as an

1 earning of the office.

2 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument
3 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account
4 closed, or payment stopped, \$25.

5 (4) In child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, 6 if authorized by an ordinance of the county board, may 7 collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making 8 payment for maintaining child support records and the 9 processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS 10 system and the recording of payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. 11 12 This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and 13 14 shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child 15 Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the 16 custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain 17 child support orders and record all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the 18 19 Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the 20 maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. 21

The clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for certifications made to the Secretary of State as provided in Section 7-703 of the Family Financial Responsibility Law and these fees shall also be deposited into the Separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund. - 157 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

1 (cc) Corrections of Numbers.

For correction of the case number, case title, or attorney computer identification number, if required by rule of court, on any document filed in the clerk's office, to be charged against the party that filed the document, a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$25.

(dd) Exceptions.

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8 (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 9 apply to police departments or other law enforcement 10 agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means 11 an agency of the State or a unit of local government which 12 is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and to enforce criminal laws or ordinances. 13 14 "Law enforcement agency" also means the Attorney General or 15 any state's attorney.

16 (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit17 of local government or school district.

18 (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 19 apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of 20 Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private 21 owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a 22 dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling 23 the owner or owners of the building to take any of the 24 actions authorized under that subsection.

(4) The fee requirements of this Section shall notapply to the filing of any commitment petition or petition

1 for an order authorizing the administration of 2 psychotropic medication or electroconvulsive therapy under 3 the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code. 4 (ee) Adoptions.

5 (1) For an adoption \$65 6 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the 7 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The term 8 "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning ascribed to 9 it by the Illinois Department of Children and Family 10 Services.

11 (ff) Adoption exemptions.

12 No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee) 13 shall be charged to any person in connection with an 14 adoption proceeding nor may any fee be charged for 15 proceedings for the appointment of a confidential 16 intermediary under the Adoption Act.

17 (Source: P.A. 95-172, eff. 8-14-07; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

Section 961. The Juvenile Court Act of 1987 is amended by changing Sections 1-3 and 6-9 as follows:

20 (705 ILCS 405/1-3) (from Ch. 37, par. 801-3)

Sec. 1-3. Definitions. Terms used in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, have the following meanings ascribed to them:

24 (1) "Adjudicatory hearing" means a hearing to determine

whether the allegations of a petition under Section 2-13, 3-15 or 4-12 that a minor under 18 years of age is abused, neglected or dependent, or requires authoritative intervention, or addicted, respectively, are supported by a preponderance of the evidence or whether the allegations of a petition under Section 5-520 that a minor is delinquent are proved beyond a reasonable doubt.

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(2) "Adult" means a person 21 years of age or older.

9 (3) "Agency" means a public or private child care facility 10 legally authorized or licensed by this State for placement or 11 institutional care or for both placement and institutional 12 care.

13 (4) "Association" means any organization, public or 14 private, engaged in welfare functions which include services to 15 or on behalf of children but does not include "agency" as 16 herein defined.

17 (4.05) Whenever a "best interest" determination is 18 required, the following factors shall be considered in the 19 context of the child's age and developmental needs:

20 (a) the physical safety and welfare of the child,
21 including food, shelter, health, and clothing;

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(b) the development of the child's identity;

23 (c) the child's background and ties, including
24 familial, cultural, and religious;

25 (d) the child's sense of attachments, including:
26 (i) where the child actually feels love,

attachment, and a sense of being valued (as opposed to 1 where adults believe the child should feel such love, 2 3 attachment, and a sense of being valued); (ii) the child's sense of security; 4 5 (iii) the child's sense of familiarity; (iv) continuity of affection for the child; 6 7 (v) the least disruptive placement alternative for the child; 8 9 (e) the child's wishes and long-term goals; 10 (f) the child's community ties, including church, 11 school, and friends; 12 (g) the child's need for permanence which includes the child's need for stability and continuity of relationships 13 14 with parent figures and with siblings and other relatives; 15 (h) the uniqueness of every family and child; 16 (i) the risks attendant to entering and being in 17 substitute care; and (j) the preferences of the persons available to care 18 for the child. 19 (4.1) "Chronic truant" shall have the definition ascribed 20 to it in Section 26-2a of the School Code. 21 22 (5) "Court" means the circuit court in a session or 23 division assigned to hear proceedings under this Act. (6) "Dispositional hearing" means a hearing to determine 24 25 whether a minor should be adjudged to be a ward of the court, 26 and to determine what order of disposition should be made in

1 respect to a minor adjudged to be a ward of the court.

2 (7) "Emancipated minor" means any minor 16 years of age or
3 over who has been completely or partially emancipated under the
4 Emancipation of Minors Act or under this Act.

5 (7.05) "Foster parent" includes a relative caregiver 6 selected by the Department of Children and Family Services to 7 provide care for the minor.

8 (8) "Guardianship of the person" of a minor means the duty 9 and authority to act in the best interests of the minor, 10 subject to residual parental rights and responsibilities, to 11 make important decisions in matters having a permanent effect 12 on the life and development of the minor and to be concerned 13 with his or her general welfare. It includes but is not 14 necessarily limited to:

(a) the authority to consent to marriage, to enlistment
in the armed forces of the United States, or to a major
medical, psychiatric, and surgical treatment; to represent
the minor in legal actions; and to make other decisions of
substantial legal significance concerning the minor;

(b) the authority and duty of reasonable visitation,
except to the extent that these have been limited in the
best interests of the minor by court order;

(c) the rights and responsibilities of legal custody except where legal custody has been vested in another person or agency; and

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(d) the power to consent to the adoption of the minor,

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but only if expressly conferred on the guardian in accordance with Section 2-29, 3-30, or 4-27.

- (9) "Legal custody" means the relationship created by an 3 order of court in the best interests of the minor which imposes 4 5 on the custodian the responsibility of physical possession of a minor and the duty to protect, train and discipline him and to 6 7 provide him with food, shelter, education and ordinary medical 8 care, except as these are limited by residual parental rights 9 and responsibilities and the rights and responsibilities of the 10 guardian of the person, if any.
- (9.1) "Mentally capable adult relative" means a person 21 years of age or older who is not suffering from a mental illness that prevents him or her from providing the care necessary to safeguard the physical safety and welfare of a minor who is left in that person's care by the parent or parents or other person responsible for the minor's welfare.
- 17 (10) "Minor" means a person under the age of 21 years 18 subject to this Act.

(11) "Parent" means <u>a</u> the father or mother of a child and 19 20 includes any adoptive parent. It also includes a person man (i) whose parentage paternity is presumed or has been established 21 22 under the law of this or another jurisdiction or (ii) who has 23 registered with the Putative Father Registry in accordance with Section 12.1 of the Adoption Act and whose paternity has not 24 25 been ruled out under the law of this or another jurisdiction. 26 It does not include a parent whose rights in respect to the

minor have been terminated in any manner provided by law. It 1 2 does not include a person who has been or could be determined 3 to be a parent under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, or similar parentage law in any 4 5 other state, if that person has been convicted of or pled nolo contendere to a crime that resulted in the conception of the 6 7 child under Section 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40, 11-11, 12-13, 8 12-14, 12-14.1, subsection (a) or (b) (but not subsection (c)) 9 of Section 11-1.50 or 12-15, or subsection (a), (b), (c), (e), 10 or (f) (but not subsection (d)) of Section 11-1.60 or 12-16 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or 11 12 similar statute in another jurisdiction unless upon motion of any party, other than the offender, to the juvenile court 13 proceedings the court finds it is in the child's best interest 14 15 to deem the offender a parent for purposes of the juvenile 16 court proceedings.

17 (11.1) "Permanency goal" means a goal set by the court as18 defined in subdivision (2) of Section 2-28.

(11.2) "Permanency hearing" means a hearing to set the 19 20 permanency goal and to review and determine (i) the appropriateness of the services contained in the plan and 21 22 whether those services have been provided, (ii) whether 23 reasonable efforts have been made by all the parties to the service plan to achieve the goal, and (iii) whether the plan 24 25 and goal have been achieved.

26 (12) "Petition" means the petition provided for in Section

2-13, 3-15, 4-12 or 5-520, including any supplemental petitions
 thereunder in Section 3-15, 4-12 or 5-520.

(12.1) "Physically capable adult relative" means a person 3 21 years of age or older who does not have a severe physical 4 5 disability or medical condition, or is not suffering from 6 alcoholism or drug addiction, that prevents him or her from 7 providing the care necessary to safeguard the physical safety and welfare of a minor who is left in that person's care by the 8 9 parent or parents or other person responsible for the minor's 10 welfare.

(12.2) "Post Permanency Sibling Contact Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to the term in Section 7.4 of the Children and Family Services Act.

(13) "Residual parental rights and responsibilities" means 14 15 those rights and responsibilities remaining with the parent 16 after the transfer of legal custody or guardianship of the 17 person, including, but not necessarily limited to, the right to reasonable visitation (which may be limited by the court in the 18 best interests of the minor as provided in subsection (8) (b) of 19 20 this Section), the right to consent to adoption, the right to 21 determine the minor's religious affiliation, and the 22 responsibility for his support.

(14) "Shelter" means the temporary care of a minor in physically unrestricting facilities pending court disposition or execution of court order for placement.

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(14.1) "Sibling Contact Support Plan" has the meaning

ascribed to the term in Section 7.4 of the Children and Family
 Services Act.

3 (15) "Station adjustment" means the informal handling of an4 alleged offender by a juvenile police officer.

5 (16) "Ward of the court" means a minor who is so adjudged 6 under Section 2-22, 3-23, 4-20 or 5-705, after a finding of the 7 requisite jurisdictional facts, and thus is subject to the 8 dispositional powers of the court under this Act.

9 (17) "Juvenile police officer" means a sworn police officer 10 who has completed a Basic Recruit Training Course, has been 11 assigned to the position of juvenile police officer by his or her chief law enforcement officer and has completed the 12 necessary juvenile officers training as prescribed by the 13 14 Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board, or in the case of a State police officer, juvenile officer training 15 16 approved by the Director of the Department of State Police.

17 (18) "Secure child care facility" means any child care facility licensed by the Department of Children and Family 18 19 Services to provide secure living arrangements for children 20 under 18 years of age who are subject to placement in facilities under the Children and Family Services Act and who 21 22 are not subject to placement in facilities for whom standards 23 are established by the Department of Corrections under Section 3-15-2 of the Unified Code of Corrections. "Secure child care 24 facility" also means a facility that is designed and operated 25 26 to ensure that all entrances and exits from the facility, a

building, or a distinct part of the building are under the exclusive control of the staff of the facility, whether or not the child has the freedom of movement within the perimeter of the facility, building, or distinct part of the building. (Source: P.A. 97-568, eff. 8-25-11; 97-1076, eff. 8-24-12; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13; 98-249, eff. 1-1-14.)

7 (705 ILCS 405/6-9) (from Ch. 37, par. 806-9)

Sec. 6-9. Enforcement of liability of parents and others.

9 (1) If parentage is at issue in any proceeding under this 10 Act, other than cases involving those exceptions to the 11 definition of parent set out in item (11) in Section 1-3, then the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984 shall apply and the 12 court shall enter orders consistent with that Act. If it 13 14 appears at any hearing that a parent or any other person named 15 in the petition, liable under the law for the support of the 16 minor, is able to contribute to his or her support, the court shall enter an order requiring that parent or other person to 17 pay the clerk of the court, or to the guardian or custodian 18 appointed under Sections 2-27, 3-28, 4-25 or 5-740, a 19 20 reasonable sum from time to time for the care, support and 21 necessary special care or treatment, of the minor. If the court 22 determines at any hearing that a parent or any other person named in the petition, liable under the law for the support of 23 24 the minor, is able to contribute to help defray the costs 25 associated with the minor's detention in a county or regional

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detention center, the court shall enter an order requiring that parent or other person to pay the clerk of the court a reasonable sum for the care and support of the minor. The court may require reasonable security for the payments. Upon failure to pay, the court may enforce obedience to the order by a proceeding as for contempt of court.

7 If it appears that the person liable for the support of the 8 minor is able to contribute to legal fees for representation of 9 the minor, the court shall enter an order requiring that person 10 to pay a reasonable sum for the representation, to the attorney 11 providing the representation or to the clerk of the court for 12 deposit in the appropriate account or fund. The sum may be paid 13 as the court directs, and the payment thereof secured and 14 enforced as provided in this Section for support.

15 If it appears at the detention or shelter care hearing of a 16 minor before the court under Section 5-501 that a parent or any 17 other person liable for support of the minor is able to contribute to his or her support, that parent or other person 18 19 shall be required to pay a fee for room and board at a rate not 20 to exceed \$10 per day established, with the concurrence of the chief judge of the judicial circuit, by the county board of the 21 22 county in which the minor is detained unless the court 23 determines that it is in the best interest and welfare of the minor to waive the fee. The concurrence of the chief judge 24 25 shall be in the form of an administrative order. Each week, on 26 a day designated by the clerk of the circuit court, that parent

1 or other person shall pay the clerk for the minor's room and 2 board. All fees for room and board collected by the circuit 3 court clerk shall be disbursed into the separate county fund 4 under Section 6-7.

5 Upon application, the court shall waive liability for support or legal fees under this Section if the parent or other 6 7 person establishes that he or she is indigent and unable to pay 8 the incurred liability, and the court may reduce or waive person establishes 9 liability if the parent or other 10 circumstances showing that full payment of support or legal 11 fees would result in financial hardship to the person or his or 12 her family.

13 (2) When a person so ordered to pay for the care and 14 support of a minor is employed for wages, salary or commission, 15 the court may order him to make the support payments for which 16 he is liable under this Act out of his wages, salary or 17 commission and to assign so much thereof as will pay the support. The court may also order him to make discovery to the 18 19 court as to his place of employment and the amounts earned by 20 him. Upon his failure to obey the orders of court he may be punished as for contempt of court. 21

(3) If the minor is a recipient of public aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the court shall order that payments made by a parent or through assignment of his wages, salary or commission be made directly to (a) the Department of Healthcare and Family Services if the minor is a recipient of aid under

Article V of the Code, (b) the Department of Human Services if 1 2 the minor is a recipient of aid under Article IV of the Code, 3 or (c) the local governmental unit responsible for the support of the minor if he is a recipient under Articles VI or VII of 4 5 the Code. The order shall permit the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, or the 6 7 local governmental unit, as the case may be, to direct that 8 subsequent payments be made directly to the quardian or 9 custodian of the minor, or to some other person or agency in 10 the minor's behalf, upon removal of the minor from the public 11 aid rolls; and upon such direction and removal of the minor 12 from the public aid rolls, the Department of Healthcare and 13 Family Services, Department of Human Services, or local 14 governmental unit, as the case requires, shall give written 15 notice of such action to the court. Payments received by the 16 Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Department of 17 Human Services, or local governmental unit are to be covered, respectively, into the General Revenue Fund of the State 18 19 Treasury or General Assistance Fund of the governmental unit, 20 as provided in Section 10-19 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

21 (Source: P.A. 97-568, eff. 8-25-11.)

22 Section 962. The Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is 23 amended by changing Section 112A-14 as follows:

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(725 ILCS 5/112A-14) (from Ch. 38, par. 112A-14)

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Sec. 112A-14. Order of protection; remedies.

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(a) Issuance of order. If the court finds that petitioner has been abused by a family or household member, as defined in this Article, an order of protection prohibiting such abuse shall issue; provided that petitioner must also satisfy the requirements of one of the following Sections, as appropriate: 7 Section 112A-17 on emergency orders, Section 112A-18 on interim orders, or Section 112A-19 on plenary orders. Petitioner shall not be denied an order of protection because petitioner or respondent is a minor. The court, when determining whether or not to issue an order of protection, shall not require physical 12 manifestations of abuse on the person of the victim. 13 Modification and extension of prior orders of protection shall

be in accordance with this Article. 14

(b) Remedies and standards. The remedies to be included in 15 16 an order of protection shall be determined in accordance with 17 this Section and one of the following Sections, as appropriate: Section 112A-17 on emergency orders, Section 112A-18 on interim 18 orders, and Section 112A-19 on plenary orders. The remedies 19 20 listed in this subsection shall be in addition to other civil or criminal remedies available to petitioner. 21

22 (1)Prohibition of abuse. Prohibit respondent's 23 interference with harassment, personal liberty, 24 intimidation of a dependent, physical abuse or willful deprivation, as defined in this Article, if such abuse has 25 26 occurred or otherwise appears likely to occur if not

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prohibited.

2 Grant of exclusive possession of residence. (2) 3 Prohibit respondent from entering or remaining in any residence, household, or premises of the petitioner, 4 5 including one owned or leased by respondent, if petitioner has a right to occupancy thereof. The grant of exclusive 6 possession of the residence, household, or premises shall 7 8 not affect title to real property, nor shall the court be 9 limited by the standard set forth in Section 701 of the 10 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

11 (A) Right to occupancy. A party has a right to 12 occupancy of a residence or household if it is solely 13 or jointly owned or leased by that party, that party's 14 spouse, a person with a legal duty to support that 15 party or a minor child in that party's care, or by any 16 person or entity other than the opposing party that 17 authorizes that party's occupancy (e.g., a domestic violence shelter). Standards set forth in subparagraph 18 19 (B) shall not preclude equitable relief.

(B) Presumption of hardships. If petitioner and respondent each has the right to occupancy of a residence or household, the court shall balance (i) the hardships to respondent and any minor child or dependent adult in respondent's care resulting from entry of this remedy with (ii) the hardships to petitioner and any minor child or dependent adult in

petitioner's care resulting from continued exposure to 1 2 the risk of abuse (should petitioner remain at the residence or household) or from loss of possession of 3 the residence or household (should petitioner leave to 4 5 avoid the risk of abuse). When determining the balance 6 of hardships, the court shall also take into account 7 the accessibility of the residence or household. Hardships need not be balanced if respondent does not 8 9 have a right to occupancy.

10 The balance of hardships is presumed to favor 11 possession by petitioner unless the presumption is 12 rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence, showing 13 that the hardships to respondent substantially 14 outweigh the hardships to petitioner and any minor 15 child or dependent adult in petitioner's care. The 16 court, on the request of petitioner or on its own 17 motion, may order respondent to provide suitable, accessible, alternate housing for petitioner instead 18 19 of excluding respondent from a mutual residence or 20 household.

21 (3) Stay away order and additional prohibitions. Order 22 respondent to stay away from petitioner or any other person 23 protected by the order of protection, or prohibit 24 respondent from entering or remaining present at 25 petitioner's school, place of employment, or other 26 specified places at times when petitioner is present, or

both, if reasonable, given the balance of hardships.
 Hardships need not be balanced for the court to enter a
 stay away order or prohibit entry if respondent has no
 right to enter the premises.

5 If an order of protection grants petitioner exclusive 6 possession of the residence, or prohibits respondent from 7 entering the residence, or orders respondent to stay away 8 from petitioner or other protected persons, then the court 9 may allow respondent access to the residence to remove 10 items of clothing and personal adornment used exclusively 11 by respondent, medications, and other items as the court 12 directs. The right to access shall be exercised on only one 13 occasion as the court directs and in the presence of an 14 agreed-upon adult third party or law enforcement officer.

15 (4) Counseling. Require or recommend the respondent to 16 undergo counseling for a specified duration with a social 17 worker, psychologist, clinical psychologist, psychiatrist, family service agency, alcohol or substance abuse program, 18 19 mental health center guidance counselor, agency providing 20 services to elders, program designed for domestic violence 21 abusers or any other guidance service the court deems 22 appropriate. The court may order the respondent in any 23 intimate partner relationship to report to an Illinois Department of Human Services protocol approved partner 24 25 abuse intervention program for an assessment and to follow 26 all recommended treatment.

(5) Physical care and possession of the minor child. In 1 order to protect the minor child from abuse, neglect, or 2 3 unwarranted separation from the person who has been the minor child's primary caretaker, or to otherwise protect 4 5 the well-being of the minor child, the court may do either 6 or both of the following: (i) grant petitioner physical 7 care or possession of the minor child, or both, or (ii) order respondent to return a minor child to, or not remove 8 9 a minor child from, the physical care of a parent or person 10 in loco parentis.

If a court finds, after a hearing, that respondent has committed abuse (as defined in Section 112A-3) of a minor child, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that awarding physical care to respondent would not be in the minor child's best interest.

16 (6) Temporary legal custody. Award temporary legal
17 custody to petitioner in accordance with this Section, the
18 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the
19 Illinois Parentage Act of <u>2015</u> 1984, and this State's
20 Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

If a court finds, after a hearing, that respondent has committed abuse (as defined in Section 112A-3) of a minor child, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that awarding temporary legal custody to respondent would not be in the child's best interest.

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(7) Visitation. Determine the visitation rights, if

1 any, of respondent in any case in which the court awards 2 physical care or temporary legal custody of a minor child 3 petitioner. The court shall restrict to or denv respondent's visitation with a minor child if the court 4 5 finds that respondent has done or is likely to do any of 6 the following: (i) abuse or endanger the minor child during 7 visitation; (ii) use the visitation as an opportunity to 8 abuse or harass petitioner or petitioner's family or 9 household members; (iii) improperly conceal or detain the 10 minor child; or (iv) otherwise act in a manner that is not 11 in the best interests of the minor child. The court shall 12 not be limited by the standards set forth in Section 607.1 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. 13 14 If the court grants visitation, the order shall specify 15 dates and times for the visitation to take place or other 16 specific parameters or conditions that are appropriate. No 17 order for visitation shall refer merely to the term "reasonable visitation". 18

Petitioner may deny respondent access to the minor child if, when respondent arrives for visitation, respondent is under the influence of drugs or alcohol and constitutes a threat to the safety and well-being of petitioner or petitioner's minor children or is behaving in a violent or abusive manner.

If necessary to protect any member of petitioner's family or household from future abuse, respondent shall be prohibited from coming to petitioner's residence to meet the minor child for visitation, and the parties shall submit to the court their recommendations for reasonable alternative arrangements for visitation. A person may be approved to supervise visitation only after filing an affidavit accepting that responsibility and acknowledging accountability to the court.

8 (8) Removal or concealment of minor child. Prohibit 9 respondent from removing a minor child from the State or 10 concealing the child within the State.

(9) Order to appear. Order the respondent to appear in court, alone or with a minor child, to prevent abuse, neglect, removal or concealment of the child, to return the child to the custody or care of the petitioner or to permit any court-ordered interview or examination of the child or the respondent.

(10) Possession of personal property. Grant petitioner exclusive possession of personal property and, if respondent has possession or control, direct respondent to promptly make it available to petitioner, if:

(i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns theproperty; or

(ii) the parties own the property jointly; sharing
it would risk abuse of petitioner by respondent or is
impracticable; and the balance of hardships favors
temporary possession by petitioner.

If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the property 1 2 is that it is marital property, the court may award 3 petitioner temporary possession thereof under the standards of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph only if a 4 5 proper proceeding has been filed under the Illinois 6 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or 7 hereafter amended.

8 No order under this provision shall affect title to9 property.

(11) Protection of property. Forbid the respondent
 from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing,
 damaging or otherwise disposing of any real or personal
 property, except as explicitly authorized by the court, if:

14 (i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns the15 property; or

(ii) the parties own the property jointly, and the balance of hardships favors granting this remedy.

18 If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the property 19 is that it is marital property, the court may grant 20 petitioner relief under subparagraph (ii) of this 21 paragraph only if a proper proceeding has been filed under 22 the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as 23 now or hereafter amended.

The court may further prohibit respondent from improperly using the financial or other resources of an aged member of the family or household for the profit or

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advantage of respondent or of any other person.

2 (11.5) Protection of animals. Grant the petitioner the 3 exclusive care, custody, or control of any animal owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by either the petitioner 4 5 the respondent or a minor child residing in the or residence or household of either the petitioner or the 6 7 respondent and order the respondent to stay away from the 8 animal and forbid the respondent from taking, 9 transferring, encumbering, concealing, harming, or 10 otherwise disposing of the animal.

11 (12) Order for payment of support. Order respondent to 12 pay temporary support for the petitioner or any child in 13 the petitioner's care or custody, when the respondent has a 14 legal obligation to support that person, in accordance with 15 the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, 16 which shall govern, among other matters, the amount of 17 support, payment through the clerk and withholding of income to secure payment. An order for child support may be 18 19 granted to a petitioner with lawful physical care or 20 custody of a child, or an order or agreement for physical care or custody, prior to entry of an order for legal 21 22 custody. Such a support order shall expire upon entry of a 23 valid order granting legal custody to another, unless 24 otherwise provided in the custody order.

(13) Order for payment of losses. Order respondent to
 pay petitioner for losses suffered as a direct result of

the abuse. Such losses shall include, but not be limited to, medical expenses, lost earnings or other support, repair or replacement of property damaged or taken, reasonable attorney's fees, court costs and moving or other travel expenses, including additional reasonable expenses for temporary shelter and restaurant meals.

7 (i) Losses affecting family needs. If a party is 8 entitled to seek maintenance, child support or 9 property distribution from the other party under the 10 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as 11 now or hereafter amended, the court may order 12 respondent to reimburse petitioner's actual losses, to 13 that such reimbursement the extent would be 14 "appropriate temporary relief", as authorized by 15 subsection (a) (3) of Section 501 of that Act.

16 (ii) Recovery of expenses. In the case of an 17 improper concealment or removal of a minor child, the court may order respondent to pay the reasonable 18 19 expenses incurred or to be incurred in the search for 20 and recovery of the minor child, including but not 21 limited to legal fees, court costs, private 22 investigator fees, and travel costs.

(14) Prohibition of entry. Prohibit the respondent
from entering or remaining in the residence or household
while the respondent is under the influence of alcohol or
drugs and constitutes a threat to the safety and well-being

of the petitioner or the petitioner's children.

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(14.5) Prohibition of firearm possession.

(A) A person who is subject to an existing order of
protection, interim order of protection, emergency
order of protection, or plenary order of protection,
issued under this Code may not lawfully possess weapons
under Section 8.2 of the Firearm Owners Identification
Card Act.

9 Any firearms (B) in the possession of the 10 respondent, except as provided in subparagraph (C) of 11 this paragraph (14.5), shall be ordered by the court to 12 be turned over to a person with a valid Firearm Owner's Identification Card for safekeeping. The court shall 13 14 issue an order that the respondent's Firearm Owner's 15 Identification Card be turned over to the local law 16 enforcement agency, which in turn shall immediately mail the card to the Department of State Police Firearm 17 Owner's Identification Card Office for safekeeping. 18 19 The period of safekeeping shall be for the duration of 20 the order of protection. The firearm or firearms and 21 Firearm Owner's Identification Card, if unexpired, 22 shall at the respondent's request be returned to the 23 respondent at expiration of the order of protection.

(C) If the respondent is a peace officer as defined
in Section 2-13 of the Criminal Code of 2012, the court
shall order that any firearms used by the respondent in

1 the performance of his or her duties as a peace officer 2 be surrendered to the chief law enforcement executive 3 of the agency in which the respondent is employed, who 4 shall retain the firearms for safekeeping for the 5 duration of the order of protection.

6 (D) Upon expiration of the period of safekeeping, 7 if the firearms or Firearm Owner's Identification Card cannot be returned to respondent because respondent 8 9 cannot be located, fails to respond to requests to 10 retrieve the firearms, or is not lawfully eligible to 11 possess a firearm, upon petition from the local law 12 enforcement agency, the court may order the local law enforcement agency to destroy the firearms, use the 13 14 firearms for training purposes, or for any other 15 application as deemed appropriate by the local law 16 enforcement agency; or that the firearms be turned over 17 to a third party who is lawfully eligible to possess firearms, and who does not reside with respondent. 18

19 (15) Prohibition of access to records. If an order of 20 protection prohibits respondent from having contact with the minor child, or if petitioner's address is omitted 21 22 under subsection (b) of Section 112A-5, or if necessary to 23 prevent abuse or wrongful removal or concealment of a minor 24 child, the order shall deny respondent access to, and 25 prohibit respondent from inspecting, obtaining, or 26 attempting to inspect or obtain, school or any other

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1 records of the minor child who is in the care of 2 petitioner.

3 (16) Order for payment of shelter services. Order 4 respondent to reimburse a shelter providing temporary 5 housing and counseling services to the petitioner for the 6 cost of the services, as certified by the shelter and 7 deemed reasonable by the court.

8 (17) Order for injunctive relief. Enter injunctive 9 relief necessary or appropriate to prevent further abuse of 10 a family or household member or to effectuate one of the 11 granted remedies, if supported by the balance of hardships. 12 If the harm to be prevented by the injunction is abuse or 13 other harm that one of the remedies listed in any 14 paragraphs (1) through (16) of this subsection is designed 15 to prevent, no further evidence is necessary to establish 16 that the harm is an irreparable injury.

(c) Relevant factors; findings.

(1) In determining whether to grant a specific remedy,
other than payment of support, the court shall consider
relevant factors, including but not limited to the
following:

(i) the nature, frequency, severity, pattern and
consequences of the respondent's past abuse of the
petitioner or any family or household member,
including the concealment of his or her location in
order to evade service of process or notice, and the

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likelihood of danger of future abuse to petitioner or
 any member of petitioner's or respondent's family or
 household; and

(ii) the danger that any minor child will be abused 4 5 neglected or improperly removed from the or 6 jurisdiction, improperly concealed within the State or 7 improperly separated from the child's primary caretaker. 8

9 (2) In comparing relative hardships resulting to the 10 parties from loss of possession of the family home, the 11 court shall consider relevant factors, including but not 12 limited to the following:

(i) availability, accessibility, cost, safety,
adequacy, location and other characteristics of
alternate housing for each party and any minor child or
dependent adult in the party's care;

(ii) the effect on the party's employment; and

(iii) the effect on the relationship of the party,
and any minor child or dependent adult in the party's
care, to family, school, church and community.

(3) Subject to the exceptions set forth in paragraph
(4) of this subsection, the court shall make its findings
in an official record or in writing, and shall at a minimum
set forth the following:

(i) That the court has considered the applicable
 relevant factors described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of

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1 this subsection.

(ii) Whether the conduct or actions of respondent, unless prohibited, will likely cause irreparable harm or continued abuse.

5 (iii) Whether it is necessary to grant the 6 requested relief in order to protect petitioner or 7 other alleged abused persons.

8 (4) For purposes of issuing an ex parte emergency order 9 of protection, the court, as an alternative to or as a 10 supplement to making the findings described in paragraphs 11 (c)(3)(i) through (c)(3)(iii) of this subsection, may use 12 the following procedure:

13 When a verified petition for an emergency order of 14 protection in accordance with the requirements of Sections 15 112A-5 and 112A-17 is presented to the court, the court 16 shall examine petitioner on oath or affirmation. An 17 emergency order of protection shall be issued by the court if it appears from the contents of the petition and the 18 19 examination of petitioner that the averments are 20 sufficient to indicate abuse by respondent and to support 21 the granting of relief under the issuance of the emergency 22 order of protection.

(5) Never married parties. No rights or
 responsibilities for a minor child born outside of marriage
 attach to a putative father until a father and child
 relationship has been established under the Illinois

Parentage Act of 1984 <u>or under the Illinois Parentage Act</u> <u>of 2015 on and after the effective date of that Act</u>. Absent such an adjudication, no putative father shall be granted temporary custody of the minor child, visitation with the minor child, or physical care and possession of the minor child, nor shall an order of payment for support of the minor child be entered.

8 (d) Balance of hardships; findings. If the court finds that 9 the balance of hardships does not support the granting of a 10 remedy governed by paragraph (2), (3), (10), (11), or (16) of 11 subsection (b) of this Section, which may require such 12 balancing, the court's findings shall so indicate and shall include a finding as to whether granting the remedy will result 13 14 in hardship to respondent that would substantially outweigh the 15 hardship to petitioner from denial of the remedy. The findings 16 shall be an official record or in writing.

17 (e) Denial of remedies. Denial of any remedy shall not be18 based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:

(1) Respondent has cause for any use of force, unless
that cause satisfies the standards for justifiable use of
force provided by Article 7 of the Criminal Code of 2012;

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(2) Respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;

(3) Petitioner acted in self-defense or defense of
another, provided that, if petitioner utilized force, such
force was justifiable under Article 7 of the Criminal Code
of 2012;

(4) Petitioner did not act in self-defense or defense
 of another;

3 (5) Petitioner left the residence or household to avoid
4 further abuse by respondent;

5 (6) Petitioner did not leave the residence or household
6 to avoid further abuse by respondent;

7 (7) Conduct by any family or household member excused
8 the abuse by respondent, unless that same conduct would
9 have excused such abuse if the parties had not been family
10 or household members.

11 (Source: P.A. 97-158, eff. 1-1-12; 97-1131, eff. 1-1-13;
12 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13; 98-63, eff. 7-9-13.)

- Section 963. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 3-5-4 as follows:
- 15 (730 ILCS 5/3-5-4)

Sec. 3-5-4. Exchange of information for child support enforcement.

(a) The Department shall exchange with the Department of
Healthcare and Family Services information that may be
necessary for the enforcement of child support orders entered
pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage
and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and
Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised
Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform

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Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of
 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

3 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to the 4 contrary, the Department shall not be liable to any person for 5 any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare 6 and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public 7 Aid) under subsection (a) or for any other action taken in good 8 faith to comply with the requirements of subsection (a).

9 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

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10 Section 964. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by 11 changing Sections 2-209, 2-1401, 12-112, and 12-819 as follows:

12 (735 ILCS 5/2-209) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-209)

13 Sec. 2-209. Act submitting to jurisdiction - Process.

(a) Any person, whether or not a citizen or resident of
this State, who in person or through an agent does any of the
acts hereinafter enumerated, thereby submits such person, and,
if an individual, his or her personal representative, to the
jurisdiction of the courts of this State as to any cause of
action arising from the doing of any of such acts:

(1) The transaction of any business within this State;
(2) The commission of a tortious act within this State;
(3) The ownership, use, or possession of any real
estate situated in this State;

(4) Contracting to insure any person, property or risk

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located within this State at the time of contracting;

(5) With respect to actions of dissolution of marriage,
declaration of invalidity of marriage and legal
separation, the maintenance in this State of a matrimonial
domicile at the time this cause of action arose or the
commission in this State of any act giving rise to the
cause of action;

8 (6) With respect to actions brought under the Illinois 9 Parentage Act of 1984, as now or hereafter amended, <u>or</u> 10 <u>under the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 on and after the</u> 11 <u>effective date of that Act</u>, the performance of an act of 12 sexual intercourse within this State during the possible 13 period of conception;

14 (7) The making or performance of any contract or
 15 promise substantially connected with this State;

16 (8) The performance of sexual intercourse within this
17 State which is claimed to have resulted in the conception
18 of a child who resides in this State;

19 (9) The failure to support a child, spouse or former 20 spouse who has continued to reside in this State since the 21 person either formerly resided with them in this State or 22 directed them to reside in this State;

(10) The acquisition of ownership, possession or
control of any asset or thing of value present within this
State when ownership, possession or control was acquired;
(11) The breach of any fiduciary duty within this

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1 State;

(12) The performance of duties as a director or officer
of a corporation organized under the laws of this State or
having its principal place of business within this State;

5 (13) The ownership of an interest in any trust 6 administered within this State; or

7 (14) The exercise of powers granted under the authority8 of this State as a fiduciary.

9 (b) A court may exercise jurisdiction in any action arising
10 within or without this State against any person who:

11 (1) Is a natural person present within this State when 12 served;

13 (2) Is a natural person domiciled or resident within
14 this State when the cause of action arose, the action was
15 commenced, or process was served;

16 (3) Is a corporation organized under the laws of this17 State; or

18 (4) Is a natural person or corporation doing business19 within this State.

(b-5) Foreign defamation judgment. The courts of this State shall have personal jurisdiction over any person who obtains a judgment in a defamation proceeding outside the United States against any person who is a resident of Illinois or, if not a natural person, has its principal place of business in Illinois, for the purposes of rendering declaratory relief with respect to that resident's liability for the judgment, or for

the purpose of determining whether said judgment should be deemed non-recognizable pursuant to this Code, to the fullest extent permitted by the United States Constitution, provided:

4 5 (1) the publication at issue was published in Illinois, and

6 (2) that resident (i) has assets in Illinois which 7 might be used to satisfy the foreign defamation judgment, 8 or (ii) may have to take actions in Illinois to comply with 9 the foreign defamation judgment.

10 The provisions of this subsection (b-5) shall apply to 11 persons who obtained judgments in defamation proceedings 12 outside the United States prior to, on, or after the effective 13 date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly.

14 (c) A court may also exercise jurisdiction on any other
15 basis now or hereafter permitted by the Illinois Constitution
16 and the Constitution of the United States.

(d) Service of process upon any person who is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of this State, as provided in this Section, may be made by personally serving the summons upon the defendant outside this State, as provided in this Act, with the same force and effect as though summons had been personally served within this State.

(e) Service of process upon any person who resides or whose business address is outside the United States and who is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of this State, as provided in this Section, in any action based upon product

liability may be made by serving a copy of the summons with a 1 2 copy of the complaint attached upon the Secretary of State. The summons shall be accompanied by a \$5 fee payable to the 3 Secretary of State. The plaintiff shall forthwith mail a copy 4 5 of the summons, upon which the date of service upon the Secretary is clearly shown, together with a copy of 6 the 7 complaint to the defendant at his or her last known place of residence or business address. Plaintiff shall file with the 8 9 circuit clerk an affidavit of the plaintiff or his or her 10 attorney stating the last known place of residence or the last 11 known business address of the defendant and a certificate of 12 mailing a copy of the summons and complaint to the defendant at 13 address required by this subsection such as (e). The 14 certificate of mailing shall be prima facie evidence that the 15 plaintiff or his or her attorney mailed a copy of the summons 16 and complaint to the defendant as required. Service of the 17 summons shall be deemed to have been made upon the defendant on the date it is served upon the Secretary and shall have the 18 19 same force and effect as though summons had been personally 20 served upon the defendant within this State.

(f) Only causes of action arising from acts enumerated herein may be asserted against a defendant in an action in which jurisdiction over him or her is based upon subsection (a).

(g) Nothing herein contained limits or affects the right toserve any process in any other manner now or hereafter provided

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1 by law.

2 (Source: P.A. 95-865, eff. 8-19-08.)

3 (735 ILCS 5/2-1401) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-1401)

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Sec. 2-1401. Relief from judgments.

5 (a) Relief from final orders and judgments, after 30 days from the entry thereof, may be had upon petition as provided in 6 this Section. Writs of error coram nobis and coram vobis, bills 7 of review and bills in the nature of bills of review are 8 9 abolished. All relief heretofore obtainable and the grounds for 10 such relief heretofore available, whether by any of the 11 foregoing remedies or otherwise, shall be available in every 12 case, by proceedings hereunder, regardless of the nature of the 13 order or judgment from which relief is sought or of the 14 proceedings in which it was entered. Except as provided in Section 6 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984, there 15 16 shall be no distinction between actions and other proceedings, statutory or otherwise, as to availability of relief, grounds 17 for relief or the relief obtainable. 18

(b) The petition must be filed in the same proceeding in which the order or judgment was entered but is not a continuation thereof. The petition must be supported by affidavit or other appropriate showing as to matters not of record. All parties to the petition shall be notified as provided by rule.

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(c) Except as provided in Section 20b of the Adoption Act

and Section 2-32 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 or in a petition based upon Section 116-3 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, the petition must be filed not later than 2 years after the entry of the order or judgment. Time during which the person seeking relief is under legal disability or duress or the ground for relief is fraudulently concealed shall be excluded in computing the period of 2 years.

8 (d) The filing of a petition under this Section does not 9 affect the order or judgment, or suspend its operation.

10 (e) Unless lack of jurisdiction affirmatively appears from 11 the record proper, the vacation or modification of an order or 12 judgment pursuant to the provisions of this Section does not 13 affect the right, title or interest in or to any real or 14 personal property of any person, not a party to the original 15 action, acquired for value after the entry of the order or 16 judgment but before the filing of the petition, nor affect any 17 right of any person not a party to the original action under any certificate of sale issued before the filing of the 18 19 petition, pursuant to a sale based on the order or judgment.

(f) Nothing contained in this Section affects any existing right to relief from a void order or judgment, or to employ any existing method to procure that relief.

23 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

24 (735 ILCS 5/12-112) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-112)

25 Sec. 12-112. What liable to enforcement. All the lands,

tenements, real estate, goods and chattels (except such as is 1 2 by law declared to be exempt) of every person against whom any judgment has been or shall be hereafter entered in any court, 3 for any debt, damages, costs, or other sum of money, shall be 4 5 liable to be sold upon such judgment. Any real property, any 6 beneficial interest in a land trust, or any interest in real 7 property held in a revocable inter vivos trust or revocable 8 inter vivos trusts created for estate planning purposes, held 9 in tenancy by the entirety shall not be liable to be sold upon 10 judgment entered on or after October 1, 1990 against only one 11 of the tenants, except if the property was transferred into 12 tenancy by the entirety with the sole intent to avoid the 13 payment of debts existing at the time of the transfer beyond 14 the transferor's ability to pay those debts as they become due. 15 However, any income from such property shall be subject to 16 garnishment as provided in Part 7 of this Article XII, whether 17 judgment has been entered against one or both of the tenants.

If the court authorizes the piercing of the ownership veil 18 19 pursuant to Section 505 of the Illinois Marriage and 20 Dissolution of Marriage Act or Section 805 15 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984, any assets determined to be those 21 22 of the non-custodial parent, although not held in name of the 23 non-custodial parent, shall be subject to attachment or other provisional remedy in accordance with the procedure prescribed 24 25 by this Code. The court may not authorize attachment of 26 property or any other provisional remedy under this paragraph

unless it has obtained jurisdiction over the entity holding 1 2 title to the property by proper service on that entity. With respect to assets which are real property, no order entered as 3 described in this paragraph shall affect the rights of bona 4 5 fide purchasers, mortgagees, judgment creditors, or other lien 6 holders who acquire their interests in the property prior to the time a notice of lis pendens pursuant to this Code or a 7 8 copy of the order is placed of record in the office of the 9 recorder of deeds for the county in which the real property is 10 located.

11 This amendatory Act of 1995 (P.A. 89-438) is declarative of 12 existing law.

13 This amendatory Act of 1997 (P.A. 90-514) is intended as a 14 clarification of existing law and not as a new enactment. 15 (Source: P.A. 96-1145, eff. 1-1-11.)

16 (735 ILCS 5/12-819) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-819)

17 Sec. 12-819. Limitations on part 8 of Article XII. The provisions of this Part 8 of Article XII of this Act do not 18 apply to orders for withholding of income entered by the court 19 20 under provisions of The Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois 21 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of 22 Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the 23 Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the 24 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, and the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 and the Paternity Act for support of a child or 25

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1 maintenance of a spouse.

2 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)

3 Section 965. The Illinois Wage Assignment Act is amended by4 changing Section 11 as follows:

5 (740 ILCS 170/11) (from Ch. 48, par. 39.12)

6 Sec. 11. The provisions of this Act do not apply to orders 7 for withholding of income entered by the court under provisions 8 of The Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and 9 Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 10 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised 11 Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, and the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 12 13 and the Paternity Act for support of a child or maintenance of 14 a spouse.

15 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)

16 Section 966. The Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of 17 Marriage Act is amended by changing Section 713 as follows:

18 (750 ILCS 5/713) (from Ch. 40, par. 713)

Sec. 713. Attachment of the Body. As used in this Section, "obligor" has the same meaning ascribed to such term in the Income Withholding for Support Act.

22 (a) In any proceeding to enforce an order for support,

where the obligor has failed to appear in court pursuant to 1 2 order of court and after due notice thereof, the court may enter an order for the attachment of the body of the obligor. 3 Notices under this Section shall be served upon the obligor by 4 5 any means authorized under subsection (a-5) of Section 505. The attachment order shall fix an amount of escrow which is equal 6 7 to a minimum of 20% of the total child support arrearage 8 alleged by the obligee in sworn testimony to be due and owing. 9 The attachment order shall direct the Sheriff of any county in 10 Illinois to take the obligor into custody and shall set the 11 number of days following release from custody for a hearing to 12 be held at which the obligor must appear, if he is released 13 under subsection (b) of this Section.

(b) If the obligor is taken into custody, the Sheriff shall take the obligor before the court which entered the attachment order. However, the Sheriff may release the person after he or she has deposited the amount of escrow ordered by the court pursuant to local procedures for the posting of bond. The Sheriff shall advise the obligor of the hearing date at which the obligor is required to appear.

(c) Any escrow deposited pursuant to this Section shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county in which the order for attachment of the body of the obligor was entered. Any Clerk who receives money deposited into escrow pursuant to this Section shall notify the obligee, public office or legal counsel whose name appears on the attachment

order of the court date at which the obligor is required to appear and the amount deposited into escrow. The Clerk shall disburse such money to the obligee only under an order from the court that entered the attachment order pursuant to this Section.

6 (d) Whenever an obligor is taken before the court by the 7 Sheriff, or appears in court after the court has ordered the 8 attachment of his body, the court shall:

9 (1) hold a hearing on the complaint or petition that 10 gave rise to the attachment order. For purposes of 11 determining arrearages that are due and owing by the 12 obligor, the court shall accept the previous sworn 13 testimony of the obligee as true and the appearance of the 14 obligee shall not be required. The court shall require 15 sworn testimony of the obligor as to the last 4 digits of 16 his or her Social Security number, income, employment, bank 17 accounts, property and any other assets. If there is a dispute as to the total amount of arrearages, the court 18 19 shall proceed as in any other case as to the undisputed 20 amounts; and

(2) order the Clerk of the Circuit Court to disburse to the obligee or public office money held in escrow pursuant to this Section if the court finds that the amount of arrearages exceeds the amount of the escrow. Amounts received by the obligee or public office shall be deducted from the amount of the arrearages. 1 (e) If the obligor fails to appear in court after being 2 notified of the court date by the Sheriff upon release from 3 custody, the court shall order any monies deposited into escrow 4 to be immediately released to the obligee or public office and 5 shall proceed under subsection (a) of this Section by entering 6 another order for the attachment of the body of the obligor.

(f) This Section shall apply to any order for support 7 8 issued under the "Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage 9 Act", approved September 22, 1977, as amended; the Illinois 10 Parentage Act of 2015; the "Illinois Parentage Act of 1984", 11 effective July 1, 1985, as amended; the "Revised Uniform 12 Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act", approved August 28, 13 1969, as amended; "The Illinois Public Aid Code", approved 14 April 11, 1967, as amended; the Non-Support Punishment Act; and 15 the "Non-support of Spouse and Children Act", approved June 8, 16 1953, as amended.

17 (g) Any escrow established pursuant to this Section for the 18 purpose of providing support shall not be subject to fees 19 collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for any other 20 escrow.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-113, eff. 7-15-99; 91-613, eff. 10-1-99; 22 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

23 Section 967. The Non-Support Punishment Act is amended by 24 changing Section 50 as follows:

1 (750 ILCS 16/50)

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Sec. 50. Community service; work alternative program.

3 (a) In addition to any other penalties imposed against an offender under this Act, the court may order the offender to 4 5 perform community service for not less than 30 and not more 6 than 120 hours per month, if community service is available in the jurisdiction and is funded and approved by the county board 7 of the county where the offense was committed. In addition, 8 9 whenever any person is placed on supervision for committing an 10 offense under this Act, the supervision shall be conditioned on 11 the performance of the community service.

12 (b) In addition to any other penalties imposed against an 13 offender under this Act, the court may sentence the offender to 14 service in a work alternative program administered by the 15 sheriff. The conditions of the program are that the offender 16 obtain or retain employment and participate in a work 17 alternative program administered by the sheriff during non-working hours. A person may not be required to participate 18 in a work alternative program under this subsection if the 19 20 person is currently participating in a work program pursuant to another provision of this Act, Section 10-11.1 of the Illinois 21 22 Public Aid Code, Section 505.1 of the Illinois Marriage and 23 Dissolution of Marriage Act, or Section 806 15.1 of the 24 Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984.

(c) In addition to any other penalties imposed against an
offender under this Act, the court may order, in cases where

the offender has been in violation of this Act for 90 days or more, that the offender's Illinois driving privileges be suspended until the court determines that the offender is in compliance with this Act.

5 The court may determine that the offender is in compliance 6 with this Act if the offender has agreed (i) to pay all 7 required amounts of support and maintenance as determined by 8 the court or (ii) to the garnishment of his or her income for 9 the purpose of paying those amounts.

10 The court may also order that the offender be issued a 11 family financial responsibility driving permit that would 12 allow limited driving privileges for employment and medical 13 purposes in accordance with Section 7-702.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. The clerk of the circuit court shall certify the 14 15 order suspending the driving privileges of the offender or 16 granting the issuance of a family financial responsibility 17 driving permit to the Secretary of State on forms prescribed by the Secretary. Upon receipt of the authenticated documents, the 18 19 Secretary of State shall suspend the offender's driving 20 privileges until further order of the court and shall, if ordered by the court, subject to the provisions of Section 21 22 7-702.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, issue a family financial 23 responsibility driving permit to the offender.

(d) If the court determines that the offender has been in
violation of this Act for more than 60 days, the court may
determine whether the offender has applied for or been issued a

Department of Professional 1 professional license by the 2 Regulation or another licensing agency. If the court determines that the offender has applied for or been issued such a 3 the court may certify to the 4 license, Department of 5 Professional Regulation or other licensing agency that the 6 offender has been in violation of this Act for more than 60 so that the Department or other agency may take 7 davs 8 appropriate steps with respect to the license or application as 9 provided in Section 10-65 of the Illinois Administrative 10 Procedure Act and Section 2105-15 of the Department of 11 Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of 12 Illinois. The court may take the actions required under this 13 subsection in addition to imposing any other penalty authorized under this Act. 14

15 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)

- Section 968. The Uniform Interstate Family Support Act is amended by changing Section 102 as follows:
- 18 (750 ILCS 22/102) (was 750 ILCS 22/101)
- 19 Sec. 102. Definitions. In this Act:

"Child" means an individual, whether over or under the age of 18, who is or is alleged to be owed a duty of support by the individual's parent or who is or is alleged to be the beneficiary of a support order directed to the parent.

24 "Child-support order" means a support order for a child,

1 including a child who has attained the age of 18.

2 "Duty of support" means an obligation imposed or imposable
3 by law to provide support for a child, spouse, or former spouse
4 including an unsatisfied obligation to provide support.

5 "Home state" means the state in which a child lived with a 6 parent or a person acting as parent for at least 6 consecutive 7 months immediately preceding the time of filing of a petition 8 or comparable pleading for support, and if a child is less than 9 6 months old, the state in which the child lived from birth 10 with any of them. A period of temporary absence of any of them 11 is counted as part of the 6-month or other period.

12 "Income" includes earnings or other periodic entitlements 13 to money from any source and any other property subject to 14 withholding for support under the law of this State.

"Income-withholding order" means an order or other legal process directed to an obligor's employer or other debtor, as defined by the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Illinois Public Aid Code, and the Illinois Parentage Act of <u>2015</u> 1984, to withhold support from the income of the obligor.

"Initiating state" means a state from which a proceeding is forwarded or in which a proceeding is filed for forwarding to a responding state under this Act or a law or procedure substantially similar to this Act.

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"Initiating tribunal" means the authorized tribunal in an

1 initiating state.

2 "Issuing state" means the state in which a tribunal issues3 a support order or renders a judgment determining parentage.

4 "Issuing tribunal" means the tribunal that issues a support
5 order or renders a judgment determining parentage.

"Obligee" means:

7 (A) an individual to whom a duty of support is or is
8 alleged to be owed or in whose favor a support order has
9 been issued or a judgment determining parentage has been
10 rendered;

(B) a state or political subdivision to which the rights under a duty of support or support order have been assigned or which has independent claims based on financial assistance provided to an individual obligee; or

15 (C) an individual seeking a judgment determining16 parentage of the individual's child.

17 "Obligor" means an individual, or the estate of a decedent:

18 (i) who owes or is alleged to owe a duty of 19 support;

20 (ii) who is alleged but has not been adjudicated to21 be a parent of a child; or

(iii) who is liable under a support order.
"Person means an individual, corporation, business trust,
estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company,
association, joint venture, government, governmental
subdivision, agency, instrumentality, public corporation, or

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1 any other legal or commercial entity.

2 "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible 3 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and 4 is retrievable in perceivable form.

"Register" means to record a support order or judgment
determining parentage in the appropriate Registry of Foreign
Support Orders.

8 "Registering tribunal" means a tribunal in which a support9 order is registered.

10 "Responding state" means a state in which a proceeding is 11 filed or to which a proceeding is forwarded for filing from an 12 initiating state under this Act or a law or procedure 13 substantially similar to this Act.

14 "Responding tribunal" means the authorized tribunal in a 15 responding state.

16 "Spousal-support order" means a support order for a spouse 17 or former spouse of the obligor.

18 "State" means a state of the United States, the District of 19 Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any 20 territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of 21 the United States. The term includes:

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(A) an Indian tribe; and

(B) a foreign country or political subdivision that:

(i) has been declared to be a foreign reciprocating
country or political subdivision under federal law;
(ii) has established a reciprocal arrangement for

child support with this State as provided in Section
 308; or

3 (iii) has enacted a law or established procedures
4 for issuance and enforcement of support orders which
5 are substantially similar to the procedures under this
6 Act.

7 "Support enforcement agency" means a public official or 8 agency authorized to seek:

9 (A) enforcement of support orders or laws relating to 10 the duty of support;

11 (B) establishment or modification of child support;

12 (C) determination of parentage;

13 (D) to locate obligors or their assets; or

14 (E) determination of the controlling child support15 order.

16 "Support order" means a judgment, decree, order, or 17 whether temporary, final, or subject directive, to modification, issued by a tribunal for the benefit of a child, 18 a spouse, or a former spouse, which provides for monetary 19 20 support, health care, arrearages, or reimbursement, and may include related costs and fees, interest, income withholding, 21 22 attorney's fees, and other relief.

23 "Tribunal" means a court, administrative agency, or 24 quasi-judicial entity authorized to establish, enforce, or 25 modify support orders or to determine parentage.

26 (Source: P.A. 93-479, eff. 1-1-04, operative 7-1-04; revised

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Section 969. The Expedited Child Support Act of 1990 is
amended by changing Section 6 as follows:

4 (750 ILCS 25/6) (from Ch. 40, par. 2706)

5 Sec. 6. Authority of hearing officers.

6 (a) With the exception of judicial functions exclusively 7 retained by the court in Section 8 of this Act and in 8 accordance with Supreme Court rules promulgated pursuant to 9 this Act, Administrative Hearing Officers shall be authorized 10 to:

(1) Accept voluntary agreements reached by the parties setting the amount of child support to be paid and medical support liability and recommend the entry of orders incorporating such agreements.

15 (2) Accept voluntary acknowledgments of parentage and recommend entry of an order establishing parentage based on 16 17 such acknowledgement. Prior to accepting such 18 acknowledgment, the Administrative Hearing Officer shall 19 advise the putative father of his rights and obligations in 20 accordance with Supreme Court rules promulgated pursuant 21 to this Act.

(3) Manage all stages of discovery, including setting
 deadlines by which discovery must be completed; and
 directing the parties to submit to appropriate tests

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pursuant to Section 11 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984.

3 (4) Cause notices to be issued requiring the Obligor to
4 appear either before the Administrative Hearing Officer or
5 in court.

6 (5) Administer the oath or affirmation and take 7 testimony under oath or affirmation.

8 (6) the evidence and Analyze prepare written 9 recommendations based on such evidence, including but not 10 limited to: (i) proposed findings as to the amount of the 11 Obligor's income; (ii) proposed findings as to the amount 12 and nature of appropriate deductions from the Obligor's 13 determine the Obligor's net (iii) income to income; 14 proposed findings as to the existence of relevant factors 15 as set forth in subsection (a) (2) of Section 505 of the 16 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, which 17 justify setting child support payment levels above or below the quidelines; (iv) recommended orders for temporary 18 19 child support; (v) recommended orders setting the amount of 20 current child support to be paid; (vi) proposed findings as 21 to the existence and amount of any arrearages; (vii) 22 recommended orders reducing any arrearages to judgement and for the payment of amounts towards such arrearages; 23 24 (viii) proposed findings as to whether there has been a 25 substantial change of circumstances since the entry of the 26 last child support order, or other circumstances justifying a modification of the child support order; and (ix) proposed findings as to whether the Obligor is employed.

(7) With respect to any unemployed Obligor who is not 4 5 making child support payments or is otherwise unable to provide support, recommend that the Obligor be ordered to 6 7 seek employment and report periodically of his or her 8 efforts in accordance with such order. Additionally, the 9 Administrative Hearing Officer may recommend that the 10 Obligor be ordered to report to the Department of 11 Employment Security for job search services or to make 12 application with the local Job Training Partnership Act 13 provider for participation in job search, training or work 14 programs and, where the duty of support is owed to a child 15 receiving child support enforcement services under Article 16 X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Administrative 17 Hearing Officer may recommend that the Obligor be ordered to report to the Department of Healthcare and Family 18 19 Services for participation in the job search, training or 20 work programs established under Section 9-6 of the Illinois Public Aid Code. 21

(8) Recommend the registration of any foreign support
judgments or orders as the judgments or orders of Illinois.
(b) In any case in which the Obligee is not participating
in the IV-D program or has not applied to participate in the
IV-D program, the Administrative Hearing Officer shall:

(1) inform the Obligee of the existence of the IV-D
 program and provide applications on request; and

3 (2) inform the Obligee and the Obligor of the option of
4 requesting payment to be made through the Clerk of the
5 Circuit Court.

6 If a request for payment through the Clerk is made, the 7 Administrative Hearing Officer shall note this fact in the 8 recommendations to the court.

9 (c) The Administrative Hearing Officer may make 10 recommendations in addition to the proposed findings of fact 11 and recommended order to which the parties have agreed.

12 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

Section 970. The Income Withholding for Support Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

15 (750 ILCS 28/15)

16 Sec. 15. Definitions.

(a) "Order for support" means any order of the court which provides for periodic payment of funds for the support of a child or maintenance of a spouse, whether temporary or final, and includes any such order which provides for:

(1) modification or resumption of, or payment of arrearage, including interest, accrued under, a previously existing order;

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(2) reimbursement of support;

1 (3) payment or reimbursement of the expenses of 2 pregnancy and delivery (for orders for support entered 3 under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 or its predecessor 4 the Paternity Act <u>or under the Illinois Parentage Act of</u> 5 <u>2015</u>); or

6 (4) enrollment in a health insurance plan that is 7 available to the obligor through an employer or labor union 8 or trade union.

9 (b) "Arrearage" means the total amount of unpaid support 10 obligations, including interest, as determined by the court and 11 incorporated into an order for support.

12 (b-5) "Business day" means a day on which State offices are13 open for regular business.

14 (c) "Delinquency" means any payment, including a payment of 15 interest, under an order for support which becomes due and 16 remains unpaid after entry of the order for support.

17 (d) "Income" means any form of periodic payment to an individual, regardless of source, including, but not limited 18 19 to: wages, salary, commission, compensation as an independent contractor, workers' 20 compensation, disability, annuity, 21 pension, and retirement benefits, lottery prize awards, 22 insurance proceeds, vacation pay, bonuses, profit-sharing 23 payments, severance pay, interest, and any other payments, made 24 by any person, private entity, federal or state government, any unit of local government, school district or any entity created 25 by Public Act; however, "income" excludes: 26

(1) any amounts required by law to be withheld, other 1 2 than creditor claims, including, but not limited to, federal, State and local taxes, Social Security and other 3 retirement and disability contributions; 4 5 (2) union dues; (3) any amounts exempted by the federal Consumer Credit 6 7 Protection Act; 8 (4) public assistance payments; and 9 (5) unemployment insurance benefits except as provided 10 by law. 11 Any other State or local laws which limit or exempt income 12 or the amount or percentage of income that can be withheld 13 shall not apply. (e) "Obligor" means the individual who owes a duty to make 14 payments under an order for support. 15 16 (f) "Obligee" means the individual to whom a duty of 17 support is owed or the individual's legal representative. (q) "Payor" means any payor of income to an obligor. 18 (h) "Public office" means any elected official or any State 19 20 or local agency which is or may become responsible by law for enforcement of, or which is or may become authorized to 21 22 enforce, an order for support, including, but not limited to: 23 the Attorney General, the Illinois Department of Healthcare and 24 Family Services, the Illinois Department of Human Services, the 25 Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, and the

various State's Attorneys, Clerks of the Circuit Court and

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1 supervisors of general assistance.

(i) "Premium" means the dollar amount for which the obligor
is liable to his employer or labor union or trade union and
which must be paid to enroll or maintain a child in a health
insurance plan that is available to the obligor through an
employer or labor union or trade union.

(j) "State Disbursement Unit" means the unit established to
collect and disburse support payments in accordance with the
provisions of Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

10 (k) "Title IV-D Agency" means the agency of this State 11 charged by law with the duty to administer the child support 12 enforcement program established under Title IV, Part D of the 13 Social Security Act and Article X of the Illinois Public Aid 14 Code.

(1) "Title IV-D case" means a case in which an obligee or obligor is receiving child support enforcement services under Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act and Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(m) "National Medical Support Notice" means the notice required for enforcement of orders for support providing for health insurance coverage of a child under Title IV, Part D of the Social Security Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and federal regulations promulgated under those Acts.

(n) "Employer" means a payor or labor union or trade unionwith an employee group health insurance plan and, for purposes

1 of the National Medical Support Notice, also includes but is 2 not limited to:

3 (1) any State or local governmental agency with a group4 health plan; and

5 (2) any payor with a group health plan or "church plan"
6 covered under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act
7 of 1974.

8 (Source: P.A. 94-90, eff. 1-1-06; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-685, 9 eff. 10-23-07.)

Section 971. The Gestational Surrogacy Act is amended by changing Section 35 as follows:

12 (750 ILCS 47/35)

13 Sec. 35. Establishment of the parent-child relationship.

14 (a) For purposes of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 15 1984, a parent-child relationship shall be established prior to the birth of a child born through gestational surrogacy if, in 16 addition to satisfying the requirements of Articles 2 and 3 17 18 Sections 5 and 6 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984, 19 the attorneys representing both the gestational surrogate and 20 the intended parent or parents certify that the parties entered 21 into a gestational surrogacy contract intended to satisfy the requirements of Section 25 of this Act with respect to the 22 23 child.

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(b) The attorneys' certifications required by subsection

(a) of this Section shall be filed on forms prescribed by the
 Illinois Department of Public Health and in a manner consistent
 with the requirement of the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015
 4 1984.

5 (Source: P.A. 93-921, eff. 1-1-05.)

6 Section 972. The Adoption Act is amended by changing 7 Sections 1, 8, 12a, and 18.06 as follows:

8 (750 ILCS 50/1) (from Ch. 40, par. 1501)

9 Sec. 1. Definitions. When used in this Act, unless the 10 context otherwise requires:

A. "Child" means a person under legal age subject toadoption under this Act.

B. "Related child" means a child subject to adoption where 13 14 either or both of the adopting parents stands in any of the 15 following relationships to the child by blood, marriage, civil union: 16 adoption, or parent, grand-parent, 17 great-grandparent, brother, sister, step-parent, step-grandparent, step-brother, step-sister, uncle, aunt, 18 great-uncle, great-aunt, first cousin, or second cousin. A 19 20 person is related to the child as a first cousin or second 21 cousin if they are both related to the same ancestor as either 22 grandchild or great-grandchild. A child whose parent has executed a consent to adoption, a surrender, or a waiver 23 24 pursuant to Section 10 of this Act or whose parent has signed a

denial of paternity pursuant to Section 12 of the Vital Records 1 2 Act or Section 12a of this Act, or whose parent has had his or 3 her parental rights terminated, is not a related child to that person, unless (1) the consent is determined to be void or is 4 5 void pursuant to subsection 0 of Section 10 of this Act; or (2) the parent of the child executed a consent to adoption by a 6 specified person or persons pursuant to subsection A-1 of 7 8 Section 10 of this Act and a court of competent jurisdiction 9 finds that such consent is void; or (3) the order terminating 10 the parental rights of the parent is vacated by a court of 11 competent jurisdiction.

C. "Agency" for the purpose of this Act means a public
 child welfare agency or a licensed child welfare agency.

D. "Unfit person" means any person whom the court shall find to be unfit to have a child, without regard to the likelihood that the child will be placed for adoption. The grounds of unfitness are any one or more of the following, except that a person shall not be considered an unfit person for the sole reason that the person has relinquished a child in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act:

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(a) Abandonment of the child.

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(a-1) Abandonment of a newborn infant in a hospital.

(a-2) Abandonment of a newborn infant in any setting
 where the evidence suggests that the parent intended to
 relinquish his or her parental rights.

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(b) Failure to maintain a reasonable degree of

interest, concern or responsibility as to the child's
 welfare.

(c) Desertion of the child for more than 3 months next preceding the commencement of the Adoption proceeding.

5 (d) Substantial neglect of the child if continuous or6 repeated.

7 (d-1) Substantial neglect, if continuous or repeated,
8 of any child residing in the household which resulted in
9 the death of that child.

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(e) Extreme or repeated cruelty to the child.

(f) There is a rebuttable presumption, which can be overcome only by clear and convincing evidence, that a parent is unfit if:

14 (1) Two or more findings of physical abuse have
15 been entered regarding any children under Section 2-21
16 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, the most recent of
17 which was determined by the juvenile court hearing the
18 matter to be supported by clear and convincing
19 evidence; or

20 (2) The parent has been convicted or found not 21 guilty by reason of insanity and the conviction or 22 finding resulted from the death of any child by 23 physical abuse; or

24 (3) There is a finding of physical child abuse
25 resulting from the death of any child under Section
26 2-21 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

No conviction or finding of delinquency pursuant to Article V of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 shall be considered a criminal conviction for the purpose of applying any presumption under this item (f).

(g) Failure to protect the child from conditions within
 his environment injurious to the child's welfare.

7 (h) Other neglect of, or misconduct toward the child; 8 provided that in making a finding of unfitness the court 9 hearing the adoption proceeding shall not be bound by any 10 previous finding, order or judgment affecting or 11 determining the rights of the parents toward the child 12 sought to be adopted in any other proceeding except such proceedings terminating parental rights as shall be had 13 14 under either this Act, the Juvenile Court Act or the 15 Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

16 (i) Depravity. Conviction of any one of the following 17 crimes shall create a presumption that a parent is depraved which can be overcome only by clear and convincing 18 19 evidence: (1) first degree murder in violation of paragraph 20 1 or 2 of subsection (a) of Section 9-1 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 or conviction of 21 second degree murder in violation of subsection (a) of 22 23 Section 9-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal 24 Code of 2012 of a parent of the child to be adopted; (2) 25 first degree murder or second degree murder of any child in violation of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code 26

of 2012; (3) attempt or conspiracy to commit first degree 1 2 murder or second degree murder of any child in violation of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012; (4) 3 solicitation to commit murder of any child, solicitation to 4 commit murder of any child for hire, or solicitation to 5 commit second degree murder of any child in violation of 6 7 the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012; (5) predatory criminal sexual assault of a child in violation 8 9 of Section 11-1.40 or 12-14.1 of the Criminal Code of 1961 10 or the Criminal Code of 2012; (6) heinous battery of any 11 child in violation of the Criminal Code of 1961; or (7) 12 aggravated battery of any child in violation of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012. 13

There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent is depraved if the parent has been criminally convicted of at least 3 felonies under the laws of this State or any other state, or under federal law, or the criminal laws of any United States territory; and at least one of these convictions took place within 5 years of the filing of the petition or motion seeking termination of parental rights.

There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent is depraved if that parent has been criminally convicted of either first or second degree murder of any person as defined in the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 within 10 years of the filing date of the petition or motion to terminate parental rights.

1 No conviction or finding of delinquency pursuant to 2 Article 5 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 shall be 3 considered a criminal conviction for the purpose of 4 applying any presumption under this item (i).

5 6 (j) Open and notorious adultery or fornication.

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7 (k) Habitual drunkenness or addiction to drugs, other
8 than those prescribed by a physician, for at least one year
9 immediately prior to the commencement of the unfitness
10 proceeding.

11 There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent is 12 unfit under this subsection with respect to any child to which that parent gives birth where there is a confirmed 13 14 test result that at birth the child's blood, urine, or 15 meconium contained any amount of a controlled substance as 16 defined in subsection (f) of Section 102 of the Illinois 17 Controlled Substances Act or metabolites of such substances, the presence of which in the newborn infant was 18 not the result of medical treatment administered to the 19 20 mother or the newborn infant; and the biological mother of this child is the biological mother of at least one other 21 22 child who was adjudicated a neglected minor under 23 subsection (c) of Section 2-3 of the Juvenile Court Act of 24 1987.

(1) Failure to demonstrate a reasonable degree of
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new born child during the first 30 days after its birth.

2 (m) Failure by a parent (i) to make reasonable efforts 3 to correct the conditions that were the basis for the removal of the child from the parent during any 9-month 4 5 period following the adjudication of neglected or abused minor under Section 2-3 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 6 or dependent minor under Section 2-4 of that Act, or (ii) 7 8 to make reasonable progress toward the return of the child 9 to the parent during any 9-month period following the 10 adjudication of neglected or abused minor under Section 2-3 11 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 or dependent minor under 12 Section 2-4 of that Act. If a service plan has been established as required under Section 8.2 of the Abused and 13 14 Neglected Child Reporting Act to correct the conditions 15 that were the basis for the removal of the child from the 16 parent and if those services were available, then, for 17 purposes of this Act, "failure to make reasonable progress 18 toward the return of the child to the parent" includes the 19 parent's failure to substantially fulfill his or her 20 obligations under the service plan and correct the 21 conditions that brought the child into care during any 22 9-month period following the adjudication under Section 23 2-4 of the Juvenile Court 2 - 3or Act of 1987. 24 Notwithstanding any other provision, when a petition or 25 motion seeks to terminate parental rights on the basis of 26 item (ii) of this subsection (m), the petitioner shall file

with the court and serve on the parties a pleading that 1 2 specifies the 9-month period or periods relied on. The 3 pleading shall be filed and served on the parties no later than 3 weeks before the date set by the court for closure 4 5 of discovery, and the allegations in the pleading shall be 6 treated as incorporated into the petition or motion. Failure of a respondent to file a written denial of the 7 8 allegations in the pleading shall not be treated as an 9 admission that the allegations are true.

10 (m-1) Pursuant to the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, a 11 child has been in foster care for 15 months out of any 22 12 month period which begins on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998 unless the child's parent can 13 14 prove by a preponderance of the evidence that it is more 15 likely than not that it will be in the best interests of 16 the child to be returned to the parent within 6 months of 17 the date on which a petition for termination of parental rights is filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. The 18 19 15 month time limit is tolled during any period for which 20 there is a court finding that the appointed custodian or guardian failed to make reasonable efforts to reunify the 21 22 child with his or her family, provided that (i) the finding 23 of no reasonable efforts is made within 60 days of the 24 period when reasonable efforts were not made or (ii) the 25 parent filed a motion requesting a finding of no reasonable 26 efforts within 60 days of the period when reasonable

efforts were not made. For purposes of this subdivision (m-1), the date of entering foster care is the earlier of: (i) the date of a judicial finding at an adjudicatory hearing that the child is an abused, neglected, or dependent minor; or (ii) 60 days after the date on which the child is removed from his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian.

(n) Evidence of intent to forgo his or her parental 8 9 rights, whether or not the child is a ward of the court, 10 (1) as manifested by his or her failure for a period of 12 11 months: (i) to visit the child, (ii) to communicate with the child or agency, although able to do so and not 12 prevented from doing so by an agency or by court order, or 13 14 (iii) to maintain contact with or plan for the future of 15 the child, although physically able to do so, or (2) as 16 manifested by the father's failure, where he and the mother of the child were unmarried to each other at the time of 17 the child's birth, (i) to commence legal proceedings to 18 19 establish his paternity under the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, or the law of the 20 21 jurisdiction of the child's birth within 30 days of being 22 informed, pursuant to Section 12a of this Act, that he is 23 the father or the likely father of the child or, after 24 being so informed where the child is not yet born, within 25 30 days of the child's birth, or (ii) to make a good faith 26 effort to pay a reasonable amount of the expenses related

to the birth of the child and to provide a reasonable 1 amount for the financial support of the child, the court to 2 consider in its determination all relevant circumstances, 3 including the financial condition of both 4 parents; 5 provided that the ground for termination provided in this subparagraph (n)(2)(ii) shall only be available where the 6 7 petition is brought by the mother or the husband of the 8 mother.

9 Contact or communication by a parent with his or her 10 child that does not demonstrate affection and concern does 11 constitute reasonable contact and planning under not 12 subdivision (n). In the absence of evidence to the contrary, the ability to visit, communicate, maintain 13 14 contact, pay expenses and plan for the future shall be 15 presumed. The subjective intent of the parent, whether 16 expressed or otherwise, unsupported by evidence of the 17 foregoing parental acts manifesting that intent, shall not preclude a determination that the parent has intended to 18 19 forgo his or her parental rights. In making this 20 determination, the court may consider but shall not require a showing of diligent efforts by an authorized agency to 21 22 encourage the parent to perform the acts specified in 23 subdivision (n).

It shall be an affirmative defense to any allegation under paragraph (2) of this subsection that the father's failure was due to circumstances beyond his control or to

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- impediments created by the mother or any other person having legal custody. Proof of that fact need only be by a preponderance of the evidence.

4 (o) Repeated or continuous failure by the parents,
5 although physically and financially able, to provide the
6 child with adequate food, clothing, or shelter.

7 (p) Inability to discharge parental responsibilities 8 supported by competent evidence from a psychiatrist, 9 licensed clinical social worker, or clinical psychologist 10 of mental impairment, mental illness or an intellectual 11 disability as defined in Section 1-116 of the Mental Health 12 and Developmental Disabilities Code, or developmental 13 disability as defined in Section 1-106 of that Code, and 14 there is sufficient justification to believe that the 15 inability to discharge parental responsibilities shall 16 extend beyond a reasonable time period. However, this 17 subdivision (p) shall not be construed so as to permit a licensed clinical social worker to conduct any medical 18 19 diagnosis to determine mental illness mental or 20 impairment.

21 (q) (Blank).

22 (r) child is in the temporary custody The or 23 quardianship of the Department of Children and Family 24 Services, the parent is incarcerated as a result of 25 criminal conviction at the time the petition or motion for 26 termination of parental rights is filed, prior to incarceration the parent had little or no contact with the child or provided little or no support for the child, and the parent's incarceration will prevent the parent from discharging his or her parental responsibilities for the child for a period in excess of 2 years after the filing of the petition or motion for termination of parental rights.

7 child is in the temporary custody or (s) The 8 quardianship of the Department of Children and Family 9 Services, the parent is incarcerated at the time the 10 petition or motion for termination of parental rights is 11 filed, the parent has been repeatedly incarcerated as a 12 result of criminal convictions, and the parent's repeated 13 incarceration has prevented the parent from discharging 14 his or her parental responsibilities for the child.

15 (t) A finding that at birth the child's blood, urine, 16 or meconium contained any amount of a controlled substance as defined in subsection (f) of Section 102 of the Illinois 17 Controlled Substances Act, or a metabolite of a controlled 18 19 substance, with the exception of controlled substances or 20 metabolites of such substances, the presence of which in the newborn infant was the result of medical treatment 21 22 administered to the mother or the newborn infant, and that 23 the biological mother of this child is the biological 24 mother of at least one other child who was adjudicated a 25 neglected minor under subsection (c) of Section 2-3 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, after which the biological 26

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mother had the opportunity to enroll in and participate in a clinically appropriate substance abuse counseling, treatment, and rehabilitation program.

E. "Parent" means a person who is the legal mother or legal 4 5 father of the child as defined in subsection X or Y of this Section. For the purpose of this Act, a parent who has executed 6 7 a consent to adoption, a surrender, or a waiver pursuant to 8 Section 10 of this Act, who has signed a Denial of Paternity 9 pursuant to Section 12 of the Vital Records Act or Section 12a 10 of this Act, or whose parental rights have been terminated by a 11 court, is not a parent of the child who was the subject of the 12 consent, surrender, waiver, or denial unless (1) the consent is void pursuant to subsection 0 of Section 10 of this Act; or (2) 13 14 the person executed a consent to adoption by a specified person 15 or persons pursuant to subsection A-1 of Section 10 of this Act 16 and a court of competent jurisdiction finds that the consent is 17 void; or (3) the order terminating the parental rights of the person is vacated by a court of competent jurisdiction. 18

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F. A person is available for adoption when the person is:

(a) a child who has been surrendered for adoption to an
agency and to whose adoption the agency has thereafter
consented;

(b) a child to whose adoption a person authorized by law, other than his parents, has consented, or to whose adoption no consent is required pursuant to Section 8 of this Act; - 228 - LRB099 04250 HEP 25224 b

(c) a child who is in the custody of persons who intend
 to adopt him through placement made by his parents;

3 (c-1) a child for whom a parent has signed a specific
 4 consent pursuant to subsection 0 of Section 10;

5 (d) an adult who meets the conditions set forth in 6 Section 3 of this Act; or

7 (e) a child who has been relinquished as defined in
8 Section 10 of the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act.

9 A person who would otherwise be available for adoption 10 shall not be deemed unavailable for adoption solely by reason 11 of his or her death.

G. The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular and the "male" includes the "female", as the context of this Act may require.

H. "Adoption disruption" occurs when an adoptive placement does not prove successful and it becomes necessary for the child to be removed from placement before the adoption is finalized.

19 I. "Habitual residence" has the meaning ascribed to it in 20 the federal Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000 and regulations 21 promulgated thereunder.

J. "Immediate relatives" means the biological parents, the parents of the biological parents and siblings of the biological parents.

25 K. "Intercountry adoption" is a process by which a child 26 from a country other than the United States is adopted by persons who are habitual residents of the United States, or the child is a habitual resident of the United States who is adopted by persons who are habitual residents of a country other than the United States.

5 L. "Intercountry Adoption Coordinator" means a staff 6 person of the Department of Children and Family Services 7 appointed by the Director to coordinate the provision of 8 services related to an intercountry adoption.

9 M. "Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children" is a 10 law enacted by all states and certain territories for the 11 purpose of establishing uniform procedures for handling the 12 interstate placement of children in foster homes, adoptive 13 homes, or other child care facilities.

14 N. (Blank).

0. "Preadoption requirements" means any conditions or standards established by the laws or administrative rules of this State that must be met by a prospective adoptive parent prior to the placement of a child in an adoptive home.

P. "Abused child" means a child whose parent or immediate family member, or any person responsible for the child's welfare, or any individual residing in the same home as the child, or a paramour of the child's parent:

(a) inflicts, causes to be inflicted, or allows to be
 inflicted upon the child physical injury, by other than
 accidental means, that causes death, disfigurement,
 impairment of physical or emotional health, or loss or

impairment of any bodily function;

2 (b) creates a substantial risk of physical injury to 3 the child by other than accidental means which would be 4 likely to cause death, disfigurement, impairment of 5 physical or emotional health, or loss or impairment of any 6 bodily function;

7 (c) commits or allows to be committed any sex offense 8 against the child, as sex offenses are defined in the 9 Criminal Code of 2012 and extending those definitions of 10 sex offenses to include children under 18 years of age;

11 (d) commits or allows to be committed an act or acts of 12 torture upon the child; or

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(e) inflicts excessive corporal punishment.

Q. "Neglected child" means any child whose parent or other 14 15 person responsible for the child's welfare withholds or denies 16 nourishment or medically indicated treatment including food or 17 care denied solely on the basis of the present or anticipated mental or physical impairment as determined by a physician 18 19 acting alone or in consultation with other physicians or 20 otherwise does not provide the proper or necessary support, 21 education as required by law, or medical or other remedial care 22 recognized under State law as necessary for a child's 23 well-being, or other care necessary for his or her well-being, including adequate food, clothing and shelter; or who is 24 25 abandoned by his or her parents or other person responsible for 26 the child's welfare.

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A child shall not be considered neglected or abused for the 1 2 sole reason that the child's parent or other person responsible 3 for his or her welfare depends upon spiritual means through prayer alone for the treatment or cure of disease or remedial 4 5 care as provided under Section 4 of the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. A child shall not be considered neglected 6 7 or abused for the sole reason that the child's parent or other 8 person responsible for the child's welfare failed to vaccinate, 9 delayed vaccination, or refused vaccination for the child due 10 to a waiver on religious or medical grounds as permitted by 11 law.

12 "Putative father" means a man who may be a child's R. father, but who (1) is not married to the child's mother on or 13 14 before the date that the child was or is to be born and (2) has 15 not established paternity of the child in a court proceeding 16 before the filing of a petition for the adoption of the child. 17 The term includes a male who is less than 18 years of age. "Putative father" does not mean a man who is the child's father 18 as a result of criminal sexual abuse or assault as defined 19 20 under Article 11 of the Criminal Code of 2012.

21 S. "Standby adoption" means an adoption in which a parent 22 consents to custody and termination of parental rights to 23 become effective upon the occurrence of a future event, which 24 is either the death of the parent or the request of the parent 25 for the entry of a final judgment of adoption.

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1 T-5. "Biological parent", "birth parent", or "natural 2 parent" of a child are interchangeable terms that mean a person 3 who is biologically or genetically related to that child as a 4 parent.

5 U. "Interstate adoption" means the placement of a minor 6 child with a prospective adoptive parent for the purpose of 7 pursuing an adoption for that child that is subject to the 8 provisions of the Interstate Compact on Placement of Children.

9 V. "Endorsement letter" means the letter issued by the 10 Department of Children and Family Services to document that a 11 prospective adoptive parent has met preadoption requirements 12 and has been deemed suitable by the Department to adopt a child 13 who is the subject of an intercountry adoption.

"Denial letter" means the letter issued by the 14 W. 15 Department of Children and Family Services to document that a 16 prospective adoptive parent has not met preadoption 17 requirements and has not been deemed suitable by the Department to adopt a child who is the subject of an intercountry 18 19 adoption.

X. "Legal father" of a child means a man who is recognizedas or presumed to be that child's father:

(1) because of his marriage to or civil union with the
child's parent at the time of the child's birth or within
300 days prior to that child's birth, unless he signed a
denial of paternity pursuant to Section 12 of the Vital
Records Act or a waiver pursuant to Section 10 of this Act;

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2 (2) because his paternity of the child has been 3 established pursuant to the Illinois Parentage Act, the 4 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the Gestational 5 Surrogacy Act; or

6 (3) because he is listed as the child's father or 7 parent on the child's birth certificate, unless he is 8 otherwise determined by an administrative or judicial 9 proceeding not to be the parent of the child or unless he 10 rescinds his acknowledgment of paternity pursuant to the 11 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984; or

12 (4) because his paternity or adoption of the child has13 been established by a court of competent jurisdiction.

The definition in this subsection X shall not be construed to provide greater or lesser rights as to the number of parents who can be named on a final judgment order of adoption or Illinois birth certificate that otherwise exist under Illinois law.

19 Y. "Legal mother" of a child means a woman who is 20 recognized as or presumed to be that child's mother:

(1) because she gave birth to the child except as
 provided in the Gestational Surrogacy Act; or

(2) because her maternity of the child has been
established pursuant to the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984
or the Gestational Surrogacy Act; or

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(3) because her maternity or adoption of the child has

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been established by a court of competent jurisdiction; or

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(4) because of her marriage to or civil union with the child's other parent at the time of the child's birth or 3 within 300 days prior to the time of birth; or 4

5 (5) because she is listed as the child's mother or parent on the child's birth certificate unless she is 6 7 otherwise determined by an administrative or judicial 8 proceeding not to be the parent of the child.

9 The definition in this subsection Y shall not be construed 10 to provide greater or lesser rights as to the number of parents 11 who can be named on a final judgment order of adoption or 12 Illinois birth certificate that otherwise exist under Illinois 13 law.

(Source: P.A. 97-227, eff. 1-1-12; 97-1109, eff. 1-1-13; 14 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13; 98-455, eff. 1-1-14; 98-532, eff. 15 16 1-1-14; 98-804, eff. 1-1-15.)

17 (750 ILCS 50/8) (from Ch. 40, par. 1510)

Sec. 8. Consents to adoption and surrenders for purposes of 18 adoption. 19

20 (a) Except as hereinafter provided in this Section consents 21 or surrenders shall be required in all cases, unless the person 22 whose consent or surrender would otherwise be required shall be 23 found by the court:

24 (1) to be an unfit person as defined in Section 1 of 25 this Act, by clear and convincing evidence; or

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1 (2) not to be the biological or adoptive father of the 2 child; or

3 (3) to have waived his parental rights to the child 4 under Section 12a or 12.1 or subsection S of Section 10 of 5 this Act; or

6 (4) to be the parent of an adult sought to be adopted; 7 or

8 (5) to be the father of the child as a result of 9 criminal sexual abuse or assault as defined under Article 10 11 of the Criminal Code of 2012; or

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(6) to be the father of a child who:

12 (i) is a family member of the mother of the child, and the mother is under the age of 18 at the time of 13 14 child's conception; for purposes of the this 15 subsection, а "family member" is а parent, 16 step-parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, sibling, 17 or cousin of the first degree, whether by whole blood, half-blood, or adoption, as well as a person age 18 or 18 19 over at the time of the child's conception who has 20 resided in the household with the mother continuously 21 for at least one year; or

(ii) is at least 5 years older than the child's
mother, and the mother was under the age of 17 at the
time of the child's conception, unless the mother and
father voluntarily acknowledge the father's paternity
of the child by marrying or by establishing the

father's paternity by consent of the parties pursuant to the Illinois Parentage Act of <u>2015</u> 1984 or pursuant to a substantially similar statute in another state. A criminal conviction of any offense pursuant to Section 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40, 11-1.50, 11-1.60, 11-1.70, 12C-5, 12C-10, 12C-35, 12C-40, 12C-45, 18-6, 19-6, or Article 12 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the

8 Criminal Code of 2012 is not required. 9 (b) Where consents are required in the case of an adoption

9 (b) Where consents are required in the case of an adoption 10 of a minor child, the consents of the following persons shall 11 be sufficient:

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(1) (A) The mother of the minor child; and

(B) The father of the minor child, if the father:

(i) was married to the mother on the date of
birth of the child or within 300 days before the
birth of the child, except for a husband or former
husband who has been found by a court of competent
jurisdiction not to be the biological father of the
child; or

(ii) is the father of the child under a
judgment for adoption, an order of parentage, or an
acknowledgment of parentage or paternity pursuant
to subsection (a) of Section 5 of the Illinois
Parentage Act of 1984 or pursuant to Article 3 of
the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015; or

(iii) in the case of a child placed with the

adopting parents less than 6 months after birth, openly lived with the child, the child's biological mother, or both, and held himself out to be the child's biological father during the first 30 days following the birth of the child; or

(iv) in the case of a child placed with the 6 7 adopting parents less than 6 months after birth, 8 made a good faith effort to pay a reasonable amount 9 of the expenses related to the birth of the child 10 and to provide a reasonable amount for the 11 financial support of the child before the 12 expiration of 30 days following the birth of the 13 child, provided that the court may consider in its determination 14 all relevant circumstances, 15 including the financial condition of both 16 biological parents; or

17 (v) in the case of a child placed with the adopting parents more than 6 months after birth, 18 19 has maintained substantial and continuous or 20 repeated contact with the child as manifested by: 21 (I) the payment by the father toward the support of 22 the child of a fair and reasonable sum, according 23 to the father's means, and either (II) the father's 24 visiting the child at least monthly when 25 physically and financially able to do so and not 26 prevented from doing so by the person or authorized

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agency having lawful custody of the child, or (III) 1 2 the father's regular communication with the child 3 or with the person or agency having the care or custody of the child, when physically and 4 5 financially unable to visit the child or prevented 6 from doing so by the person or authorized agency 7 having lawful custody of the child. The subjective 8 intent of the father, whether expressed or 9 otherwise unsupported by evidence of acts 10 specified in this sub-paragraph as manifesting 11 such intent, shall not preclude a determination 12 that the father failed to maintain substantial and 13 continuous or repeated contact with the child; or

(vi) in the case of a child placed with the adopting parents more than six months after birth, openly lived with the child for a period of six months within the one year period immediately preceding the placement of the child for adoption and openly held himself out to be the father of the child; or

(vii) has timely registered with Putative
Father Registry, as provided in Section 12.1 of
this Act, and prior to the expiration of 30 days
from the date of such registration, commenced
legal proceedings to establish paternity under the
Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, under the Illinois

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<u>Parentage Act of 2015</u>, or under the law of the jurisdiction of the child's birth; or

3 (2) The legal guardian of the person of the child, if
4 there is no surviving parent; or

5 (3) An agency, if the child has been surrendered for
6 adoption to such agency; or

7 (4) Any person or agency having legal custody of a 8 child by court order if the parental rights of the parents 9 have been judicially terminated, and the court having 10 jurisdiction of the guardianship of the child has 11 authorized the consent to the adoption; or

12 (5) The execution and verification of the petition by 13 any petitioner who is also a parent of the child sought to 14 be adopted shall be sufficient evidence of such parent's 15 consent to the adoption.

16 (c) Where surrenders to an agency are required in the case 17 of a placement for adoption of a minor child by an agency, the 18 surrenders of the following persons shall be sufficient:

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(1) (A) The mother of the minor child; and

(B) The father of the minor child, if the father:

(i) was married to the mother on the date of birth of the child or within 300 days before the birth of the child, except for a husband or former husband who has been found by a court of competent jurisdiction not to be the biological father of the child; or (ii) is the father of the child under a judgment for adoption, an order of parentage, or an acknowledgment of parentage or paternity pursuant to subsection (a) of Section 5 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 <u>or pursuant to Article 3 of</u> <u>the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015</u>; or

(iii) in the case of a child placed with the adopting parents less than 6 months after birth, openly lived with the child, the child's biological mother, or both, and held himself out to be the child's biological father during the first 30 days following the birth of a child; or

13 (iv) in the case of a child placed with the 14 adopting parents less than 6 months after birth, 15 made a good faith effort to pay a reasonable amount 16 of the expenses related to the birth of the child 17 and to provide a reasonable amount for the the child 18 financial support of before the 19 expiration of 30 days following the birth of the 20 child, provided that the court may consider in its 21 determination all relevant circumstances, 22 including the financial condition of both 23 biological parents; or

(v) in the case of a child placed with the
adopting parents more than six months after birth,
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repeated contact with the child as manifested by: 1 2 (I) the payment by the father toward the support of 3 the child of a fair and reasonable sum, according to the father's means, and either (II) the father's 4 5 visiting the child at least monthly when 6 physically and financially able to do so and not 7 prevented from doing so by the person or authorized 8 agency having lawful custody of the child or (III) 9 the father's regular communication with the child or with the person or agency having the care or 10 11 custody of the child, when physically and 12 financially unable to visit the child or prevented 13 from doing so by the person or authorized agency 14 having lawful custody of the child. The subjective 15 intent of the father, whether expressed or 16 otherwise, unsupported by evidence of acts 17 specified in this sub-paragraph as manifesting such intent, shall not preclude a determination 18 19 that the father failed to maintain substantial and 20 continuous or repeated contact with the child; or

(vi) in the case of a child placed with the adopting parents more than six months after birth, openly lived with the child for a period of six months within the one year period immediately preceding the placement of the child for adoption and openly held himself out to be the father of the child; or

2 (vii) has timely registered with the Putative Father Registry, as provided in Section 12.1 of 3 this Act, and prior to the expiration of 30 days 4 5 from the date of such registration, commenced legal proceedings to establish paternity under the 6 7 Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, under the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, or under the law of the 8 9 jurisdiction of the child's birth.

10 (d) In making a determination under subparagraphs (b)(1) 11 and (c)(1), no showing shall be required of diligent efforts by 12 a person or agency to encourage the father to perform the acts 13 specified therein.

14 (e) In the case of the adoption of an adult, only the15 consent of such adult shall be required.

16 (Source: P.A. 97-493, eff. 8-22-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.)

17 (750 ILCS 50/12a) (from Ch. 40, par. 1515)

18 Sec. 12a. Notice to putative father.

19 1. Upon the written request to any Clerk of any Circuit 20 Court, and upon the payment of a filing fee of \$10.00, by any 21 interested party, including persons intending to adopt a child, 22 a child welfare agency with whom the mother has placed or has 23 given written notice of her intention to place a child for 24 adoption, the mother of a child, or any attorney representing 25 an interested party, a notice, the declaration of paternity and

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the disclaimer of paternity may be served on a putative father in the same manner as Summons is served in other civil proceedings, or, in lieu of personal service, service may be made as follows:

5 (a) The person requesting notice shall pay to the Clerk 6 of the Court a mailing fee of \$2 plus the cost of U. S. 7 postage for certified or registered mail and furnish to the 8 Clerk an original and one copy of a notice, the declaration 9 of paternity and the disclaimer of paternity together with 10 an Affidavit setting forth the putative father's last known 11 address. The original notice, the declaration of paternity 12 and the disclaimer of paternity shall be retained by the Clerk. 13

14 The Clerk shall forthwith mail to the putative (b) 15 father, at the address appearing in the Affidavit, the copy 16 the notice, the declaration of paternity and the of disclaimer of paternity, by certified mail, return receipt 17 requested; the envelope and return receipt shall bear the 18 19 return address of the Clerk. The receipt for certified mail 20 shall state the name and address of the addressee, and the 21 date of mailing, and shall be attached to the original 22 notice.

(c) The return receipt, when returned to the Clerk,
shall be attached to the original notice, the declaration
of paternity and the disclaimer of paternity, and shall
constitute proof of service.

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1 (d) The Clerk shall note the fact of service in a 2 permanent record.

2. The notice shall be signed by the Clerk, and may be served on the putative father at any time after conception, and shall read as follows:

6 "IN THE MATTER OF NOTICE TO, PUTATIVE FATHER.

You have been identified as the father of a child born or
expected to be born on or about (insert date).

9 The mother of the child is.....

10 The mother has indicated that she intends to place the 11 child for adoption.

12 As the alleged father of the child, you have certain legal 13 rights with respect to the child, including the right to notice of the filing of proceedings instituted for the adoption of the 14 15 child. If you wish to retain your rights with respect to the 16 child, you must file with the Clerk of this Circuit Court of 17 County, Illinois, whose address is, Illinois, within 30 days after the date of receipt of this notice, the 18 19 declaration of paternity enclosed herewith stating that you are, in fact, the father of the child and that you intend to 20 21 retain your legal rights with respect to the child, or request 22 to be notified of any further proceedings with respect to 23 custody or adoption of the child.

If you do not file such a declaration of paternity, or a request for notice, then whatever legal rights you have with respect to the child, including the right to notice of any 1 future proceedings for the adoption of the child, may be 2 terminated without any further notice to you. When your legal 3 rights with respect to the child are so terminated, you will 4 not be entitled to notice of any proceeding instituted for the 5 adoption of the child.

If you are not the father of the child, you may file with the Clerk of this Court the disclaimer of paternity enclosed herewith which will be noted in the Clerk's file and you will receive no further notice with respect to the child."

10 The declaration of paternity shall be substantially as 11 follows:

12 "IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ILLINOIS 14 County 15) 16) 17) No.) 18) 19 DECLARATION OF PATERNITY WITH ENTRY OF APPEARANCE 20 I,, state as follows: (1) That I am years of age; and I reside at 21 22 in the County of, State of 23 (2) That I have been advised that is the mother of 24 a ...male child with the initials named born or 25 expected to be born on or about and that such mother has stated that I am the father of this child. 26

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(3) I declare that I am the father of this child.

(4) I understand that the mother of this child wishes to consent to the adoption of this child. I do not consent to the adoption of this child, and I understand that I must return this initial declaration of parentage form to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of County, located at, within 30 days of receipt of this notice.

8 (5) I further understand that I am also obligated to 9 establish my paternity pursuant to the Illinois Parentage Act 10 of 2015 1984 within 30 days of my receiving this notice or, if 11 the child is not yet born, within 30 days after the birth of 12 the child. This proceeding is separate and distinct from the above mailing of initial declaration of paternity; in this 13 14 second notice, I must state that I am, in fact, the father of 15 said child, and that I intend to retain my legal rights with respect to said child, and request to be notified of any 16 17 further proceedings with respect to custody or adoption of the child. 18

19 (6) I hereby enter my appearance in the above entitled20 cause.

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I have been duly sworn and I say under oath that I have read and understand this Declaration of Paternity With Entry of Appearance. The facts that it contains are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that by signing this document I admit my paternity. I have signed this document as

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1	my free and voluntary act.
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3	(signature)
4	Dated (insert date).
5	Signed and sworn before me on (insert date).
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7	(notary public)".
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9	The disclaimer of paternity shall be substantially as
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11	"IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
12	JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, ILLINOIS
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16) No.)
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18	DENIAL OF PATERNITY WITH ENTRY OF APPEARANCE
19	AND CONSENT TO ADOPTION
20	I,, state as follows:
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22	in the County of, State of
23	(2) That I have been advised that is the mother
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1 stated that I am the father of this child.

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(3) I deny that I am the father of this child.

(4) I further understand that the mother of this child 3 wishes to consent to the adoption of the child. I hereby 4 5 consent to the adoption of this child, and waive any rights, remedies and defenses that I may now or in the future have as a 6 7 result of the mother's allegation of the paternity of this 8 child. This consent is being given in order to facilitate the 9 adoption of the child and so that the court may terminate what 10 rights I may have to the child as a result of being named the 11 father by the mother. This consent is not in any manner an 12 admission of paternity.

(5) I hereby enter my appearance in the above entitledcause and waive service of summons and other pleading.

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OATH

I have been duly sworn and I say under oath that I have read and understood this Denial of Paternity With Entry of Appearance and Consent to Adoption. The facts it contains are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that by signing this document I have not admitted paternity. I have signed this document as my free and voluntary act in order to facilitate the adoption of the child.

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25 Dated (insert date).

26 Signed and sworn before me on (insert date).

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4 The names of adoptive parents shall not be included in the 5 notice.

3. If the putative father files a disclaimer of paternity,
he shall be deemed not to be the father of the child with
respect to any adoption or other proceeding held to terminate
the rights of parents as respects such child.

4. In the event the putative father does not file a declaration of paternity of the child or request for notice within 30 days of service of the above notice, he need not be made a party to or given notice of any proceeding brought for the adoption of the child. An Order or judgment may be entered in such proceeding terminating all of his rights with respect to the child without further notice to him.

5. If the putative father files a declaration of paternity or a request for notice in accordance with subsection 2, with respect to the child, he shall be given notice in event any proceeding is brought for the adoption of the child.

6. The Clerk shall maintain separate numbered files and records of requests and proofs of service and all other documents filed pursuant to this article. All such records shall be impounded.

25 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

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1	(750 ILCS 50/18.06)
2	Sec. 18.06. Definitions. When used in Sections 18.05
3	through Section 18.6, for the purposes of the Registry:
4	"Adopted person" means a person who was adopted pursuant to
5	the laws in effect at the time of the adoption.
6	"Adoptive parent" means a person who has become a parent
7	through the legal process of adoption.
8	"Adult child" means the biological child 21 years of age or
9	over of a deceased adopted or surrendered person.
10	"Adult grandchild" means the biological grandchild 21
11	years of age or over of a deceased adopted or surrendered
12	person.
13	"Adult adopted or surrendered person" means an adopted or
14	surrendered person 21 years of age or over.
15	"Agency" means a public child welfare agency or a licensed
16	child welfare agency.
17	"Birth aunt" means the adult full or half sister of a
18	deceased birth parent.
19	"Birth father" means the biological father of an adopted or
20	surrendered person who is named on the original certificate of
21	live birth or on a consent or surrender document, or a
22	biological father whose paternity has been established by a
23	judgment or order of the court, pursuant to the Illinois
24	Parentage Act of 1984 or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.
25	"Birth mother" means the biological mother of an adopted or

1 surrendered person.

2 "Birth parent" means a birth mother or birth father of an3 adopted or surrendered person.

"Birth Parent Preference Form" means the form prepared by 4 5 the Department of Public Health pursuant to Section 18.2 6 completed by a birth parent registrant and filed with the 7 Registry that indicates the birth parent's preferences 8 regarding contact and, if applicable, the release of his or her 9 identifying information on the non-certified copy of the 10 original birth certificate released to an adult adopted or 11 surrendered person or to the surviving adult child or surviving 12 spouse of a deceased adopted or surrendered person who has 13 filed a Request for a Non-Certified Copy of an Original Birth 14 Certificate.

15 "Birth relative" means a birth mother, birth father, birth 16 sibling, birth aunt, or birth uncle.

17 "Birth sibling" means the adult full or half sibling of an18 adopted or surrendered person.

"Birth uncle" means the adult full or half brother of adeceased birth parent.

21 "Confidential intermediary" means an individual certified 22 by the Department of Children and Family Services pursuant to 23 Section 18.3a(e).

24 "Denial of Information Exchange" means an affidavit 25 completed by a registrant with the Illinois Adoption Registry 26 and Medical Information Exchange denying the release of

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identifying information which has been filed with the Registry.

"Information Exchange Authorization" means an affidavit
completed by a registrant with the Illinois Adoption Registry
and Medical Information Exchange authorizing the release of
identifying information which has been filed with the Registry.
"Medical Information Exchange Questionnaire" means the
medical history questionnaire completed by a registrant of the
Illinois Adoption Registry and Medical Information Exchange.

9 "Non-certified Copy of the Original Birth Certificate" 10 means a non-certified copy of the original certificate of live 11 birth of an adult adopted or surrendered person who was born in 12 Illinois.

13 "Proof of death" means a death certificate.

"Registrant" or "Registered Party" means a birth parent, 14 15 birth sibling, birth aunt, birth uncle, adopted or surrendered 16 person 21 years of age or over, adoptive parent or legal 17 guardian of an adopted or surrendered person under the age of 21, or adoptive parent, surviving spouse, or adult child of a 18 19 deceased adopted or surrendered person who has filed an 20 Illinois Adoption Registry Application or Registration 21 Identification Form with the Registry.

22 "Registry" means the Illinois Adoption Registry and 23 Medical Information Exchange.

24 "Request for a Non-Certified Copy of an Original Birth 25 Certificate" means an affidavit completed by an adult adopted 26 or surrendered person or by the surviving adult child or surviving spouse of a deceased adopted or surrendered person and filed with the Registry requesting a non-certified copy of an adult adopted or surrendered person's original certificate of live birth in Illinois.

5 "Surrendered person" means a person whose parents' rights 6 have been surrendered or terminated but who has not been 7 adopted.

8 "Surviving spouse" means the wife or husband, 21 years of 9 age or older, of a deceased adopted or surrendered person who 10 would be 21 years of age or older if still alive and who has one 11 or more surviving biological children who are under the age of 12 21.

13 "18.3 statement" means а statement regarding the disclosure of identifying information signed by a birth parent 14 15 under Section 18.3 of this Act as it existed immediately prior 16 to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th 17 General Assembly.

18 (Source: P.A. 97-110, eff. 7-14-11; 98-704, eff. 1-1-15.)

Section 973. The Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986 is
 amended by changing Sections 202 and 214 as follows:

21 (750 ILCS 60/202) (from Ch. 40, par. 2312-2)

Sec. 202. Commencement of action; filing fees; dismissal.
(a) How to commence action. Actions for orders of protection are commenced:

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(1) Independently: By filing a petition for an order of protection in any civil court, unless specific courts are designated by local rule or order.

(2) In conjunction with another civil proceeding: By 4 5 filing a petition for an order of protection under the same case number as another civil proceeding involving the 6 7 parties, including but not limited to: (i) any proceeding 8 under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage 9 Act, Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 1984, Nonsupport of 10 Spouse and Children Act, Revised Uniform Reciprocal 11 Enforcement of Support Act or an action for nonsupport 12 brought under Article 10 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, 13 provided that a petitioner and the respondent are a party 14 to or the subject of that proceeding or (ii) a guardianship 15 proceeding under the Probate Act of 1975, or a proceeding 16 for involuntary commitment under the Mental Health and 17 Developmental Disabilities Code, or any proceeding, other than a delinquency petition, under the Juvenile Court Act 18 19 of 1987, provided that a petitioner or the respondent is a 20 party to or the subject of such proceeding.

(3) In conjunction with a delinquency petition or a criminal prosecution: By filing a petition for an order of protection, under the same case number as the delinquency petition or criminal prosecution, to be granted during pre-trial release of a defendant, with any dispositional order issued under Section 5-710 of the Juvenile Court Act 1 of 1987 or as a condition of release, supervision, 2 conditional discharge, probation, periodic imprisonment, 3 parole, aftercare release, or mandatory supervised 4 release, or in conjunction with imprisonment or a bond 5 forfeiture warrant; provided that:

6 (i) the violation is alleged in an information, 7 complaint, indictment or delinquency petition on file, 8 and the alleged offender and victim are family or 9 household members or persons protected by this Act; and

10 (ii) the petition, which is filed by the State's
11 Attorney, names a victim of the alleged crime as a
12 petitioner.

(b) Filing, certification, and service fees. No fee shall be charged by the clerk for filing, amending, vacating, certifying, or photocopying petitions or orders; or for issuing alias summons; or for any related filing service. No fee shall be charged by the sheriff for service by the sheriff of a petition, rule, motion, or order in an action commenced under this Section.

(c) Dismissal and consolidation. Withdrawal or dismissal 20 21 of any petition for an order of protection prior to 22 adjudication where the petitioner is represented by the State 23 shall operate as a dismissal without prejudice. No action for protection shall be dismissed because 24 order of the an 25 respondent is being prosecuted for a crime against the 26 petitioner. An independent action may be consolidated with

another civil proceeding, as provided by paragraph (2) of 1 2 subsection (a) of this Section. For any action commenced under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (a) of this Section, 3 dismissal of the conjoined case (or a finding of not guilty) 4 5 shall not require dismissal of the action for the order of 6 protection; instead, it may be treated as an independent action 7 and, if necessary and appropriate, transferred to a different court or division. Dismissal of any conjoined case shall not 8 9 affect the validity of any previously issued order of 10 protection, and thereafter subsections (b)(1) and (b)(2) of 11 Section 220 shall be inapplicable to such order.

(d) Pro se petitions. The court shall provide, through the office of the clerk of the court, simplified forms and clerical assistance to help with the writing and filing of a petition under this Section by any person not represented by counsel. In addition, that assistance may be provided by the state's attorney.

18 (Source: P.A. 98-558, eff. 1-1-14.)

19 (750 ILCS 60/214) (from Ch. 40, par. 2312-14)

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Sec. 214. Order of protection; remedies.

(a) Issuance of order. If the court finds that petitioner has been abused by a family or household member or that petitioner is a high-risk adult who has been abused, neglected, or exploited, as defined in this Act, an order of protection prohibiting the abuse, neglect, or exploitation shall issue;

provided that petitioner must also satisfy the requirements of 1 2 one of the following Sections, as appropriate: Section 217 on 3 emergency orders, Section 218 on interim orders, or Section 219 on plenary orders. Petitioner shall not be denied an order of 4 5 protection because petitioner or respondent is a minor. The court, when determining whether or not to issue an order of 6 7 protection, shall not require physical manifestations of abuse 8 on the person of the victim. Modification and extension of 9 prior orders of protection shall be in accordance with this 10 Act.

(b) Remedies and standards. The remedies to be included in an order of protection shall be determined in accordance with this Section and one of the following Sections, as appropriate: Section 217 on emergency orders, Section 218 on interim orders, and Section 219 on plenary orders. The remedies listed in this subsection shall be in addition to other civil or criminal remedies available to petitioner.

(1) Prohibition of abuse, neglect, or exploitation. 18 19 Prohibit respondent's harassment, interference with 20 personal liberty, intimidation of a dependent, physical abuse, or willful deprivation, neglect or exploitation, as 21 22 defined in this Act, or stalking of the petitioner, as 23 defined in Section 12-7.3 of the Criminal Code of 2012, if 24 abuse, neglect, exploitation, or stalking has such 25 occurred or otherwise appears likely to occur if not 26 prohibited.

Grant of exclusive possession of residence. 1 (2) 2 Prohibit respondent from entering or remaining in any 3 residence, household, or premises of the petitioner, including one owned or leased by respondent, if petitioner 4 5 has a right to occupancy thereof. The grant of exclusive possession of the residence, household, or premises shall 6 7 not affect title to real property, nor shall the court be 8 limited by the standard set forth in Section 701 of the 9 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

10 (A) Right to occupancy. A party has a right to 11 occupancy of a residence or household if it is solely 12 or jointly owned or leased by that party, that party's 13 spouse, a person with a legal duty to support that 14 party or a minor child in that party's care, or by any 15 person or entity other than the opposing party that 16 authorizes that party's occupancy (e.g., a domestic 17 violence shelter). Standards set forth in subparagraph (B) shall not preclude equitable relief. 18

19 (B) Presumption of hardships. If petitioner and 20 respondent each has the right to occupancy of a residence or household, the court shall balance (i) the 21 22 hardships to respondent and any minor child or 23 dependent adult in respondent's care resulting from 24 entry of this remedy with (ii) the hardships to 25 petitioner and any minor child or dependent adult in 26 petitioner's care resulting from continued exposure to

the risk of abuse (should petitioner remain at the 1 2 residence or household) or from loss of possession of the residence or household (should petitioner leave to 3 avoid the risk of abuse). When determining the balance 4 5 of hardships, the court shall also take into account accessibility of the residence or household. 6 the 7 Hardships need not be balanced if respondent does not have a right to occupancy. 8

9 The balance of hardships is presumed to favor 10 possession by petitioner unless the presumption is 11 rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence, showing 12 the hardships to respondent that substantially outweigh the hardships to petitioner and any minor 13 14 child or dependent adult in petitioner's care. The 15 court, on the request of petitioner or on its own 16 motion, may order respondent to provide suitable, 17 accessible, alternate housing for petitioner instead of excluding respondent from a mutual residence or 18 19 household.

20 (3) Stay away order and additional prohibitions. Order 21 respondent to stay away from petitioner or any other person 22 protected by the order of protection, or prohibit 23 entering or remaining respondent from present at. 24 petitioner's school, place of employment, or other 25 specified places at times when petitioner is present, or 26 both, if reasonable, given the balance of hardships.

Hardships need not be balanced for the court to enter a
 stay away order or prohibit entry if respondent has no
 right to enter the premises.

(A) If an order of protection grants petitioner 4 exclusive possession of the residence, or prohibits 5 respondent from entering the residence, or orders 6 respondent to stay away from petitioner or other 7 8 protected persons, then the court may allow respondent 9 access to the residence to remove items of clothing and 10 personal adornment used exclusively by respondent, 11 medications, and other items as the court directs. The 12 right to access shall be exercised on only one occasion 13 as the court directs and in the presence of an 14 agreed-upon adult third party or law enforcement 15 officer.

16 (B) When the petitioner and the respondent attend 17 the same public, private, or non-public elementary, middle, or high school, the court when issuing an order 18 19 of protection and providing relief shall consider the 20 severity of the act, any continuing physical danger or 21 emotional distress to the petitioner, the educational 22 rights guaranteed to the petitioner and respondent 23 under federal and State law, the availability of a 24 transfer of the respondent to another school, a change 25 of placement or a change of program of the respondent, 26 the expense, difficulty, and educational disruption

that would be caused by a transfer of the respondent to 1 2 another school, and any other relevant facts of the 3 case. The court may order that the respondent not attend the public, private, or non-public elementary, 4 middle, or high school attended by the petitioner, 5 6 order that the respondent accept a change of placement 7 or change of program, as determined by the school 8 district or private or non-public school, or place 9 restrictions on the respondent's movements within the school attended by the petitioner. The respondent 10 11 bears the burden of proving by a preponderance of the 12 evidence that a transfer, change of placement, or 13 change of program of the respondent is not available. 14 The respondent also bears the burden of production with 15 respect to the expense, difficulty, and educational 16 disruption that would be caused by a transfer of the 17 respondent to another school. A transfer, change of 18 placement, or change of program is not unavailable to 19 the respondent solely on the ground that the respondent 20 does not agree with the school district's or private or non-public school's transfer, change of placement, or 21 22 change of program or solely on the ground that the 23 respondent fails or refuses to consent or otherwise 24 does not take an action required to effectuate a 25 transfer, change of placement, or change of program. 26 When a court orders a respondent to stay away from the

public, private, or non-public school attended by the 1 2 petitioner and the respondent requests a transfer to 3 another attendance center within the respondent's school district or private or non-public school, the 4 5 school district or private or non-public school shall have sole discretion to determine the attendance 6 7 center to which the respondent is transferred. In the event the court order results in a transfer of the 8 9 minor respondent to another attendance center, a 10 change in the respondent's placement, or a change of 11 the respondent's program, the parents, guardian, or 12 legal custodian of the respondent is responsible for 13 transportation and other costs associated with the 14 transfer or change.

15 (C) The court may order the parents, guardian, or 16 legal custodian of a minor respondent to take certain 17 actions or to refrain from taking certain actions to ensure that the respondent complies with the order. In 18 19 the event the court orders a transfer of the respondent to another school, the parents, guardian, or legal 20 21 custodian of the respondent is responsible for 22 transportation and other costs associated with the 23 change of school by the respondent.

(4) Counseling. Require or recommend the respondent to
 undergo counseling for a specified duration with a social
 worker, psychologist, clinical psychologist, psychiatrist,

family service agency, alcohol or substance abuse program, 1 2 mental health center guidance counselor, agency providing 3 services to elders, program designed for domestic violence abusers or any other quidance service the court deems 4 5 appropriate. The Court may order the respondent in any 6 intimate partner relationship to report to an Illinois 7 Department of Human Services protocol approved partner 8 abuse intervention program for an assessment and to follow 9 all recommended treatment.

10 (5) Physical care and possession of the minor child. In 11 order to protect the minor child from abuse, neglect, or 12 unwarranted separation from the person who has been the 13 minor child's primary caretaker, or to otherwise protect 14 the well-being of the minor child, the court may do either 15 or both of the following: (i) grant petitioner physical 16 care or possession of the minor child, or both, or (ii) order respondent to return a minor child to, or not remove 17 a minor child from, the physical care of a parent or person 18 19 in loco parentis.

If a court finds, after a hearing, that respondent has committed abuse (as defined in Section 103) of a minor child, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that awarding physical care to respondent would not be in the minor child's best interest.

(6) Temporary legal custody. Award temporary legal
 custody to petitioner in accordance with this Section, the

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Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Illinois Parentage Act of <u>2015</u> 1984, and this State's Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

If a court finds, after a hearing, that respondent has committed abuse (as defined in Section 103) of a minor child, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that awarding temporary legal custody to respondent would not be in the child's best interest.

9 (7) Visitation. Determine the visitation rights, if 10 any, of respondent in any case in which the court awards 11 physical care or temporary legal custody of a minor child 12 The court shall restrict to petitioner. or deny respondent's visitation with a minor child if the court 13 14 finds that respondent has done or is likely to do any of 15 the following: (i) abuse or endanger the minor child during 16 visitation; (ii) use the visitation as an opportunity to 17 abuse or harass petitioner or petitioner's family or household members; (iii) improperly conceal or detain the 18 minor child; or (iv) otherwise act in a manner that is not 19 20 in the best interests of the minor child. The court shall not be limited by the standards set forth in Section 607.1 21 22 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. 23 If the court grants visitation, the order shall specify 24 dates and times for the visitation to take place or other 25 specific parameters or conditions that are appropriate. No 26 order for visitation shall refer merely to the term

1 "reasonable visitation".

Petitioner may deny respondent access to the minor child if, when respondent arrives for visitation, respondent is under the influence of drugs or alcohol and constitutes a threat to the safety and well-being of petitioner or petitioner's minor children or is behaving in a violent or abusive manner.

8 If necessary to protect any member of petitioner's 9 family or household from future abuse, respondent shall be 10 prohibited from coming to petitioner's residence to meet 11 the minor child for visitation, and the parties shall 12 submit to the court their recommendations for reasonable 13 alternative arrangements for visitation. A person may be 14 approved to supervise visitation only after filing an 15 affidavit accepting that responsibility and acknowledging 16 accountability to the court.

17 (8) Removal or concealment of minor child. Prohibit
18 respondent from removing a minor child from the State or
19 concealing the child within the State.

(9) Order to appear. Order the respondent to appear in court, alone or with a minor child, to prevent abuse, neglect, removal or concealment of the child, to return the child to the custody or care of the petitioner or to permit any court-ordered interview or examination of the child or the respondent.

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(10) Possession of personal property. Grant petitioner

exclusive possession of personal property and, if respondent has possession or control, direct respondent to promptly make it available to petitioner, if:

4 (i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns the 5 property; or

6 (ii) the parties own the property jointly; sharing 7 it would risk abuse of petitioner by respondent or is 8 impracticable; and the balance of hardships favors 9 temporary possession by petitioner.

10 If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the property 11 is that it is marital property, the court may award 12 petitioner temporary possession thereof under the 13 standards of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph only if a 14 proper proceeding has been filed under the Illinois 15 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or 16 hereafter amended.

No order under this provision shall affect title toproperty.

19 (11) Protection of property. Forbid the respondent
20 from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing,
21 damaging or otherwise disposing of any real or personal
22 property, except as explicitly authorized by the court, if:

(i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns theproperty; or

(ii) the parties own the property jointly, and thebalance of hardships favors granting this remedy.

1 If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the property 2 is that it is marital property, the court may grant 3 petitioner relief under subparagraph (ii) of this 4 paragraph only if a proper proceeding has been filed under 5 the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as 6 now or hereafter amended.

7 The court may further prohibit respondent from 8 improperly using the financial or other resources of an 9 aged member of the family or household for the profit or 10 advantage of respondent or of any other person.

11 (11.5) Protection of animals. Grant the petitioner the 12 exclusive care, custody, or control of any animal owned, 13 possessed, leased, kept, or held by either the petitioner 14 the respondent or a minor child residing in the or 15 residence or household of either the petitioner or the 16 respondent and order the respondent to stay away from the 17 and forbid the respondent animal from taking, 18 transferring, encumbering, concealing, harming, or 19 otherwise disposing of the animal.

(12) Order for payment of support. Order respondent to pay temporary support for the petitioner or any child in the petitioner's care or custody, when the respondent has a legal obligation to support that person, in accordance with the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, which shall govern, among other matters, the amount of support, payment through the clerk and withholding of

income to secure payment. An order for child support may be granted to a petitioner with lawful physical care or custody of a child, or an order or agreement for physical care or custody, prior to entry of an order for legal custody. Such a support order shall expire upon entry of a valid order granting legal custody to another, unless otherwise provided in the custody order.

8 (13) Order for payment of losses. Order respondent to 9 pay petitioner for losses suffered as a direct result of 10 the abuse, neglect, or exploitation. Such losses shall 11 include, but not be limited to, medical expenses, lost 12 earnings or other support, repair or replacement of property damaged or taken, reasonable attorney's fees, 13 14 court costs and moving or other travel expenses, including 15 additional reasonable expenses for temporary shelter and 16 restaurant meals.

17 (i) Losses affecting family needs. If a party is seek maintenance, child support 18 entitled to or 19 property distribution from the other party under the 20 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as 21 now or hereafter amended, the court may order 22 respondent to reimburse petitioner's actual losses, to 23 extent that such reimbursement the would be "appropriate temporary relief", as authorized by 24 25 subsection (a) (3) of Section 501 of that Act.

26 (ii) Recovery of expenses. In the case of an

improper concealment or removal of a minor child, the 1 2 court may order respondent to pay the reasonable expenses incurred or to be incurred in the search for 3 and recovery of the minor child, including but not 4 5 limited to legal fees, court costs, private 6 investigator fees, and travel costs.

7 (14) Prohibition of entry. Prohibit the respondent 8 from entering or remaining in the residence or household 9 while the respondent is under the influence of alcohol or 10 drugs and constitutes a threat to the safety and well-being 11 of the petitioner or the petitioner's children.

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(14.5) Prohibition of firearm possession.

(a) Prohibit a respondent against whom an order of
protection was issued from possessing any firearms
during the duration of the order if the order:

16 (1) was issued after a hearing of which such
17 person received actual notice, and at which such
18 person had an opportunity to participate;

(2) restrains such person from harassing,
stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of
such person or child of such intimate partner or
person, or engaging in other conduct that would
place an intimate partner in reasonable fear of
bodily injury to the partner or child; and

25 (3)(i) includes a finding that such person
26 represents a credible threat to the physical

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safety of such intimate partner or child; or (ii) by its terms explicitly prohibits the attempted use, or threatened use of physical force

against such intimate partner or child that would 4 5 reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury. Identification Card 6 Anv Firearm Owner's in the 7 possession of the respondent, except as provided in 8 subsection (b), shall be ordered by the court to be 9 turned over to the local law enforcement agency. The 10 local law enforcement agency shall immediately mail 11 the card to the Department of State Police Firearm 12 Owner's Identification Card Office for safekeeping. 13 The court shall issue a warrant for seizure of any 14 firearm in the possession of the respondent, to be kept 15 by the local law enforcement agency for safekeeping, 16 except as provided in subsection (b). The period of 17 safekeeping shall be for the duration of the order of protection. The firearm or firearms 18 and Firearm 19 Owner's Identification Card, if unexpired, shall at 20 the respondent's request, be returned to the respondent at the end of the order of protection. It is 21 22 respondent's responsibility to notify the the 23 of State Police Firearm Department Owner's 24 Identification Card Office.

25 (b) If the respondent is a peace officer as defined 26 in Section 2-13 of the Criminal Code of 2012, the court

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1 shall order that any firearms used by the respondent in 2 the performance of his or her duties as a peace officer 3 be surrendered to the chief law enforcement executive 4 of the agency in which the respondent is employed, who 5 shall retain the firearms for safekeeping for the 6 duration of the order of protection.

7 (c) Upon expiration of the period of safekeeping, if the firearms or Firearm Owner's Identification Card 8 9 cannot be returned to respondent because respondent 10 cannot be located, fails to respond to requests to 11 retrieve the firearms, or is not lawfully eligible to 12 possess a firearm, upon petition from the local law 13 enforcement agency, the court may order the local law 14 enforcement agency to destroy the firearms, use the 15 firearms for training purposes, or for any other 16 application as deemed appropriate by the local law 17 enforcement agency; or that the firearms be turned over to a third party who is lawfully eligible to possess 18 19 firearms, and who does not reside with respondent.

(15) Prohibition of access to records. If an order of protection prohibits respondent from having contact with the minor child, or if petitioner's address is omitted under subsection (b) of Section 203, or if necessary to prevent abuse or wrongful removal or concealment of a minor child, the order shall deny respondent access to, and prohibit respondent from inspecting, obtaining, or 1 attempting to inspect or obtain, school or any other 2 records of the minor child who is in the care of 3 petitioner.

4 (16) Order for payment of shelter services. Order 5 respondent to reimburse a shelter providing temporary 6 housing and counseling services to the petitioner for the 7 cost of the services, as certified by the shelter and 8 deemed reasonable by the court.

9 (17) Order for injunctive relief. Enter injunctive 10 relief necessary or appropriate to prevent further abuse of 11 a family or household member or further abuse, neglect, or 12 exploitation of a high-risk adult with disabilities or to effectuate one of the granted remedies, if supported by the 13 14 balance of hardships. If the harm to be prevented by the 15 injunction is abuse or any other harm that one of the 16 remedies listed in paragraphs (1) through (16) of this 17 subsection is designed to prevent, no further evidence is necessary that the harm is an irreparable injury. 18

19 (c) Relevant factors; findings.

(1) In determining whether to grant a specific remedy,
other than payment of support, the court shall consider
relevant factors, including but not limited to the
following:

(i) the nature, frequency, severity, pattern and
 consequences of the respondent's past abuse, neglect
 or exploitation of the petitioner or any family or

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household member, including the concealment of his or her location in order to evade service of process or notice, and the likelihood of danger of future abuse, neglect, or exploitation to petitioner or any member of petitioner's or respondent's family or household; and

(ii) the danger that any minor child will be abused 6 7 improperly removed from or neglected or the jurisdiction, improperly concealed within the State or 8 9 improperly separated from the child's primary 10 caretaker.

11 (2) In comparing relative hardships resulting to the 12 parties from loss of possession of the family home, the 13 court shall consider relevant factors, including but not 14 limited to the following:

(i) availability, accessibility, cost, safety,
adequacy, location and other characteristics of
alternate housing for each party and any minor child or
dependent adult in the party's care;

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(ii) the effect on the party's employment; and

(iii) the effect on the relationship of the party,
and any minor child or dependent adult in the party's
care, to family, school, church and community.

(3) Subject to the exceptions set forth in paragraph
(4) of this subsection, the court shall make its findings
in an official record or in writing, and shall at a minimum
set forth the following:

1 (i) That the court has considered the applicable 2 relevant factors described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of 3 this subsection.

4 (ii) Whether the conduct or actions of respondent,
5 unless prohibited, will likely cause irreparable harm
6 or continued abuse.

7 (iii) Whether it is necessary to grant the
8 requested relief in order to protect petitioner or
9 other alleged abused persons.

(4) For purposes of issuing an ex parte emergency order
of protection, the court, as an alternative to or as a
supplement to making the findings described in paragraphs
(c) (3) (i) through (c) (3) (iii) of this subsection, may use
the following procedure:

15 When a verified petition for an emergency order of 16 protection in accordance with the requirements of Sections 17 203 and 217 is presented to the court, the court shall examine petitioner on oath or affirmation. An emergency 18 19 order of protection shall be issued by the court if it 20 appears from the contents of the petition and the 21 examination of petitioner that the averments are 22 sufficient to indicate abuse by respondent and to support 23 the granting of relief under the issuance of the emergency order of protection. 24

25 (5) Never married parties. No rights or
 26 responsibilities for a minor child born outside of marriage

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attach to a putative father until a father and child 1 2 relationship has been established under the Illinois 3 Parentage Act of 1984, the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015, the Illinois Public Aid Code, Section 12 of the Vital 4 5 Records Act, the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, the Probate Act of 1985, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of 6 Support Act, the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, the 7 8 Expedited Child Support Act of 1990, any judicial, 9 administrative, or other act of another state or territory, 10 any other Illinois statute, or by any foreign nation 11 establishing the father and child relationship, any other 12 proceeding substantially in conformity with the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 13 14 1996 (Pub. L. 104-193), or where both parties appeared in 15 open court or at an administrative hearing acknowledging 16 under oath or admitting by affirmation the existence of a 17 child relationship. father and Absent such 18 adjudication, finding, or acknowledgement, no putative 19 father shall be granted temporary custody of the minor 20 child, visitation with the minor child, or physical care and possession of the minor child, nor shall an order of 21

22 payment for support of the minor child be entered.

23 (d) Balance of hardships; findings. If the court finds that 24 the balance of hardships does not support the granting of a 25 remedy governed by paragraph (2), (3), (10), (11), or (16) of 26 subsection (b) of this Section, which may require such

balancing, the court's findings shall so indicate and shall include a finding as to whether granting the remedy will result in hardship to respondent that would substantially outweigh the hardship to petitioner from denial of the remedy. The findings shall be an official record or in writing.

6 (e) Denial of remedies. Denial of any remedy shall not be 7 based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:

8 (1) Respondent has cause for any use of force, unless 9 that cause satisfies the standards for justifiable use of 10 force provided by Article 7 of the Criminal Code of 2012;

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(2) Respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;

12 (3) Petitioner acted in self-defense or defense of 13 another, provided that, if petitioner utilized force, such 14 force was justifiable under Article 7 of the Criminal Code 15 of 2012;

16 (4) Petitioner did not act in self-defense or defense17 of another;

18 (5) Petitioner left the residence or household to avoid
 19 further abuse, neglect, or exploitation by respondent;

20 (6) Petitioner did not leave the residence or household 21 to avoid further abuse, neglect, or exploitation by 22 respondent;

(7) Conduct by any family or household member excused
the abuse, neglect, or exploitation by respondent, unless
that same conduct would have excused such abuse, neglect,
or exploitation if the parties had not been family or

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1 household members.

2	(Source: P.A.	96-701, ef	f. 1-1-10;	96-1239,	eff.	1-1-11;
3	97-158, eff. 1-	1-12; 97-294	, eff. 1-1-1	2; 97-813,	eff.	7-13-12;
4	97-1131, eff. 1	-1-13; 97-11	50, eff. 1-2	5-13.)		

5 Section 974. The Business Corporation Act of 1983 is
6 amended by changing Section 1.25 as follows:

7 (805 ILCS 5/1.25) (from Ch. 32, par. 1.25)

8 Sec. 1.25. List of corporations; exchange of information.

9 (a) The Secretary of State shall publish each year a list 10 of corporations filing an annual report for the preceding year 11 in accordance with the provisions of this Act, which report shall state the name of the corporation and the respective 12 names and addresses of the president, secretary, and registered 13 14 agent thereof and the address of the registered office in this 15 State of each such corporation. The Secretary of State shall furnish without charge a copy of such report to each recorder 16 of this State, and to each member of the General Assembly and 17 18 to each State agency or department requesting the same. The Secretary of State shall, upon receipt of a written request and 19 20 a fee as determined by the Secretary, furnish such report to 21 anvone else.

(b) (1) The Secretary of State shall publish daily a list
of all newly formed corporations, business and not for profit,
chartered by him on that day issued after receipt of the

application. The daily list shall contain the same information 1 2 as to each corporation as is provided for the corporation list published under subsection (a) of this Section. The daily list 3 may be obtained at the Secretary's office by any person, 4 5 newspaper, State department or agency, or local government for 6 reasonable charge to be determined by the а Secretary. 7 Inspection of the daily list may be made at the Secretary's office during normal business hours without charge by any 8 9 person, newspaper, State department or agency, or local 10 government.

(2) The Secretary shall compile the daily list mentioned in 11 paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Section monthly, or 12 13 more often at the Secretary's discretion. The compilation shall be immediately mailed free of charge to all local governments 14 15 requesting in writing receipt of such publication, or shall be 16 automatically mailed by the Secretary without charge to local 17 governments as determined by the Secretary. The Secretary shall mail a copy of the compilations free of charge to all State 18 19 departments or agencies making a written request. A request for 20 a compilation of the daily list once made by a local government or State department or agency need not be renewed. However, the 21 22 Secretary may request from time to time whether the local 23 governments or State departments or agencies desire to continue receiving the compilation. 24

(3) The compilations of the daily list mentioned in
 paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Section shall be mailed

to newspapers, or any other person not included as a recipient in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Section, upon receipt of a written application signed by the applicant and accompanied by the payment of a fee as determined by the Secretary.

(c) If a domestic or foreign corporation has filed with the 6 7 Secretary of State an annual report for the preceding year or 8 has been newly formed or is otherwise and in any manner 9 registered with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State 10 shall exchange with the Department of Healthcare and Family 11 Services any information concerning that corporation that may 12 be necessary for the enforcement of child support orders entered pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois 13 14 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the 15 16 Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the 17 Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. 18

Notwithstanding any provisions in this Act to the contrary, the Secretary of State shall not be liable to any person for any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public Aid) under this subsection or for any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this subsection. (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

- Section 975. The Limited Liability Company Act is amended
 by changing Section 50-5 as follows:
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(805 ILCS 180/50-5)

Sec. 50-5. List of limited liability companies; exchange of
information.

6 (a) The Secretary of State may publish a list or lists of 7 limited liability companies and foreign limited liability 8 companies, as often, in the format, and for the fees as the 9 Secretary of State may in his or her discretion provide by 10 rule. The Secretary of State may disseminate information 11 concerning limited liability companies and foreign limited 12 liability companies by computer network in the format and for the fees as may be determined by rule. 13

(b) Upon written request, any list published under subsection (a) shall be free to each member of the General Assembly, to each State agency or department, and to each recorder in this State. An appropriate fee established by rule to cover the cost of producing the list shall be charged to all others.

20 (c) If a domestic or foreign limited liability company has 21 filed with the Secretary of State an annual report for the 22 preceding year or has been newly formed or is otherwise and in 23 any manner registered with the Secretary of State, the 24 Secretary of State shall exchange with the Department of 25 Healthcare and Family Services any information concerning that

limited liability company that may be necessary for the 1 2 enforcement of child support orders entered pursuant to the 3 Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution 4 of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and Children Act, 5 the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal 6 Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform Interstate Family 7 Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, or the 8 Illinois Parentage Act of 2015.

9 Notwithstanding any provisions in this Act to the contrary, 10 the Secretary of State shall not be liable to any person for 11 any disclosure of information to the Department of Healthcare 12 and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of Public 13 Aid) under this subsection or for any other action taken in 14 good faith to comply with the requirements of this subsection. 15 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

16 (750 ILCS 40/Act rep.)

17 Section 976. The Illinois Parentage Act is repealed.

18 (750 ILCS 45/Act rep.)

Section 977. The Illinois Parentage Act of 1984 is repealed.

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