- 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 524
- 2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 524, by replacing
- 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:
- 4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 5 Agriculture Producer Protection Act.
- 6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the
- 7 context otherwise requires:
- 8 "Capital investment" means a purchase of any of the
- 9 following:
- 10 (1) A structure associated with producing a
- 11 commodity, including, but not limited to, a swine
- 12 farrowing building, a grain storage facility, or a manure
- 13 storage lagoon.
- 14 (2) Machinery or equipment associated with
- producing a commodity, if the machinery or equipment has
- a useful life in excess of one year.
- "Commodity" means livestock, raw milk, or a crop.
- "Contractor" means a person who enters into a production
- 19 contract with a producer for the production by the producer
- of commodities in this State.
- "Crop" means a plant used for food, animal feed, fiber,
- oil, pharmaceuticals, nutriceuticals, or seed, including, but

- 1 limited to, alfalfa, barley, buckwheat, corn, flax,
- 2 forage, millet, oats, popcorn, rye, sorghum, sunflowers,
- tobacco, wheat, and grasses used for forage or silage. 3
- 4 "Department" means the Department of Agriculture.
- 5 "Director" means the Director of Agriculture.
- "Investment requirement" means any capital investment 6
- 7 made by a producer to produce a commodity in accordance with
- 8 a production contract that the producer has executed if (i)
- 9 the production contract specifically requires that capital
- investment or (ii) the producer reasonably concludes that 10
- 11 investment is either necessary or important in enabling the
- producer to efficiently and effectively produce the commodity 12
- 13 required under the production contract.
- "Livestock" means beef cattle, dairy cattle, poultry, 14
- 15 sheep, or swine.
- 16 "Produce" means to do any of the following:
- (1) Provide feed or services relating to the care 17
- and feeding of livestock. If the livestock is dairy 18
- 19 cattle, then "produce" includes milking the dairy cattle
- 20 and storing raw milk.
- 2.1 (2) Provide for planting, raising, harvesting, or
- 22 storing a crop. "Produce" includes preparing the soil for
- 23 planting and nurturing the crop by application
- conditioners, including those 24 fertilizers or soil
- substances regulated under the Illinois Fertilizer Act of
- 1961 or pesticides as defined in the Illinois Pesticide 26
- 27 Act.

- means a person who has entered into a "Producer" 28
- 29 production contract whereby that person produces a commodity
- 30 for a contractor. "Producer" does not mean a commercial
- 31 fertilizer applicator or pesticide applicator, a
- 32 supplier, or a veterinarian when acting in that capacity.
- "Production contract" means (1) an agreement between a 33
- 34 producer and a contractor in which (i) the producer agrees to

1 produce and sell to the contractor or the contractor's 2 designee an identified commodity or commodities and (ii) the contractor has or exercises some control or direction over 3 4 the production process; or (2) an agreement between a 5 producer and a contractor in which the producer agrees to 6 care for and raise a commodity or commodities that are not 7 owned by the producer, using land, equipment, or facilities owned or leased by the producer, in exchange for payment. For 8 9 purposes of this definition, "control or direction over the production process" includes, but is not limited to, the 10 11 contractor's designation of special commodity characteristics, such as oil content for corn or special 12 genetics for livestock; the contractor's designation of a 13 seed variety or varieties to be used by the producer under 14 15 the contract; or the contractor's right, or that of his or 16 her designee, to review, check, sample, or analyze the commodity during the production process. 17

Section 10. Written production contracts. All production contracts must be in writing.

Section 15. Summary of material terms and conditions.

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Summary sheet. A production contract entered into, amended, or renewed after the effective date of this Act must contain as the first page, or as the first page of text if it is preceded by a title page or pages, a summary sheet as provided in this Section. The summary sheet shall have the following heading: "SUMMARY MATERIAL TERMS OF AND CONDITIONS". It shall list the material terms and conditions of the production contract; provide a summary explanation of each material term and condition; include an example or examples for those provisions relating to the calculation of the amounts to be received by the producer for the commodity produced under the production contract; and designate the

- 1 page or pages where these material terms and conditions are
- 2 found within the text of the document. This summary shall
- 3 meet the readability requirements of this Section and shall
- 4 accurately reflect the text of the production contract.
- 5 In this Section, "material terms and conditions"
- 6 includes, but is not limited to:

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- (1) the type of commodity to be produced;
- 8 (2) the particular quality characteristics or 9 specifications for the commodity to be produced, 10 including, but not limited to, the type of genetics for 11 livestock or percentage of non-GMO content for grain;
- 12 (3) the quantity or acreage of the commodity to be produced;
  - (4) any special production or handling requirements for the commodity, including, but not limited to, disease protocols for livestock and segregation or identity preservation for grain;
- 18 (5) the time or times for delivery of the 19 commodity;
  - (6) the delivery locations for the commodity;
  - (7) provisions for the calculation of the price or other compensation to be received by the producer under the production contract;
  - (8) the circumstances under which the amount to be received by the producer might be discounted or increased;
  - (9) the circumstances under which the commodity produced under the production contract might be rejected by the contractor;
  - (10) the duration of the production contact, including any renewal provisions; and
- 32 (11) any cancellation or termination clauses, and 33 specific causes for cancellation and termination.
- 34 (b) Readability. A production contract must (i) be in a

1	typeface at least as large as 10-point modern, one-point
2	leaded; (ii) be divided and captioned by its various
3	sections; (iii) be written in clear and coherent language;
4	(iv) use words and grammar that are understandable by a
5	person of average intelligence, education, and experience
6	within the industry; and (v) use clear definitions.
7	(c) Review by Director of Agriculture.
8	(1) Process of review. A contractor may submit a
9	production contract to the Director for review to
10	determine whether it complies with this Section. The
11	Director shall do one of the following:
12	(A) certify that the production contract
13	complies with this Section;
14	(B) decline to certify that the production
15	contract complies with this Section and note
16	objections;
17	(C) decline to review the production contract
18	because the contract's compliance with this Section
19	is subject to pending litigation; or
20	(D) decline to review the production contract
21	because it is not subject to this Section.
22	(2) Factors to consider in determining readability.
23	In determining whether a production contract is readable
24	within the meaning of subsection (b), the Director shall
25	consider the provisions of subsection (b) and the
26	following:
27	(A) the simplicity of the sentence structure;
28	(B) the extent to which commonly used and
29	understood words and terms are employed;
30	(C) the extent to which esoteric legal terms
31	are avoided, although the Director shall permit the
32	use of particular words, phrases, provisions, or

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statute, rule, regulation, or case law;

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- (D) the extent to which references to other sections or provisions are minimized;
- (E) the extent to which clear and easily understood definitions are used; and
- (F) any additional factors deemed by the Director to be relevant to the readability or understandability of the production contract.
- (3) Actions of the Director under this Section are subject to judicial review under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law.
- (4) Limited effect of certification. A production contract certified under this subsection is deemed to comply with subsections (a) and (b). Certification of a production contract under this subsection does not constitute approval of the production contract's legality or legal effect. If the Director certifies a production contract, then the contractor will have complied with subsections (a) and (b), and the remedies stated in paragraph (6) are not available. If, during the first 90 days after the effective date of this Act, the Director receives a production contract and fails to respond within 60 days after receipt, then the contractor will have complied with subsections (a) and (b), and the remedies stated in subsection (6) are not available. after the first 90 days after the effective date of this Act, the Director receives a production contract and fails to respond within 30 days after receipt, then the contractor will have complied with subsections (a) and (b), and the remedies stated in paragraph (6) are not available.
- (5) Review not required. Failure to submit a production contract to the Director for review under this subsection does not show a lack of good faith or raise a

1	presumption that the production contract violates this
2	Section.
3	(6) Reformation by court.
4	(A) Change terms. In addition to the remedies
5	provided in Section 45, a court reviewing a
6	production contract may change the terms of the
7	production contract or limit a provision to avoid an
8	unfair result if the court finds all of the
9	following:
10	(i) a material provision of the
11	production contract violates subsection (a) or
12	(b);
13	(ii) the violation caused the producer to
14	be substantially confused about any of the
15	rights, obligations, or remedies of the
16	production contract; and
17	(iii) the violation has caused or is
18	likely to cause financial detriment to the
19	producer.
20	(B) Avoid unjust enrichment. If the court
21	reforms or limits a provision of a production
22	contract, the court shall also make orders necessary
23	to avoid unjust enrichment. Bringing a claim for
24	relief under this paragraph does not entitle a
25	producer to withhold performance of an otherwise
26	valid contractual obligation. No relief may be
27	granted under this paragraph unless the claim is
28	brought before the obligations of the production
29	contract have been fully performed by all parties to
30	the production contract.
31	(7) Limits on producer actions. A producer may
32	recover actual damages caused by a violation of this
33	Section only if the violation caused the producer to not

fully understand the rights, obligations, or remedies of

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(8) Statute of limitations. A claim that a production contract violates this Section must be raised within 4 years after the date on which the party alleging the violation knew or should have known of the existence of the violation.

7 Section 20. Limitation on application of confidentiality 8 provisions. After the effective date of this Act, no confidentiality provision of a production contract shall 9 10 prohibit, or be construed or interpreted to prohibit, a producer from discussing any and all terms and details of a 11 12 production contract with the producer's legal advisor, lender, accountant, financial advisor, business advisor, 13 14 immediate family members, or actual or anticipated production 15 association colleagues. This Section does not require a party to a production contract to divulge information in the 16 17 production contract to another person.

18 Section 25. Investment requirements.

- (a) Applicability. This Section applies to all production contracts that have investment requirements. The value of the capital investments shall be deemed to be the total dollar amount spent or committed to by the producer in satisfying the investment requirements.
- (b) Breach. Except as provided in subsection (c), if a producer materially breaches a production contract, a contractor may not terminate or cancel the production contract until the following have occurred:
- (1) The contractor has provided a written notice of termination or cancellation to the producer that has been received by the producer at least 15 days before the effective date of the termination or cancellation; the notice must provide a comprehensive listing of the causes

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- 2 (2) The producer has failed to remedy each cause of 3 the breach, as alleged in the listing provided in the 4 notice, within 15 days following receipt of the notice. 5 An effort by a producer to remedy a cause of an alleged 6 breach shall not be construed as an admission of a breach 7 in a civil cause of action.
  - (c) Exceptions. A contractor may terminate or cancel a production contract without regard to the provisions of subsection (b) if the basis for the termination or cancellation is either of the following:
- 12 (1) A voluntary abandonment of the contractual 13 relationship by the producer. A complete failure of a 14 producer's performance under a production contract shall 15 be deemed to be abandonment.
  - (2) The conviction of a producer of an offense of fraud or theft committed against the contractor.
- Penalty. If a contractor terminates or cancels a 18 production contract other than as provided in this Section, 19 the contractor shall pay the producer the value of the 20 21 remaining useful life of the capital investments, taking into 22 account the producer's ability to use the capital investments 23 producer's other business enterprises and the opportunity to recoup the cost of the capital investments by 24 25 selling or leasing them, plus any other damages allowed by 26 law.
- 27 Section 30. Unfair practices.
- 28 (a) Definitions. As used in this Section:
- 29 (1) "Contract input" means a commodity or an 30 organic or synthetic substance or compound that is used 31 to produce a commodity, including but not limited to any 32 of the following:
- 33 (A) Livestock or plants.

Τ		(B) Agricultural seeds.
2		(C) Semen or eggs for breeding livestock.
3		(D) Fertilizer, pesticides, or petroleum
4		products.
5		(2) "Producer right" means one of the following
6	lega	l rights and protections:
7		(A) Right to join association. The right of a
8		producer to join or belong to, or to refrain from
9		joining or belonging to, an association of
10		producers.
11		(B) Right to contract. The right of a producer
12		to enter into a membership agreement or marketing
13		contract with an association of producers, a
14		processor, or another producer and the right of the
15		producer to exercise contractual rights under such a
16		membership agreement or marketing contract.
17		(C) Right to be a whistleblower. The right of
18		a producer to lawfully provide statements or
19		information, including to the United States
20		Secretary of Agriculture or to a law enforcement
21		agency, regarding alleged improper actions or
22		violations of law by a contractor or processor. This
23		right does not include the right to make statements
24		or provide information if the statements or
25		information are determined to be libelous or
26		slanderous.
27		(D) Right to disclose contractual terms. The
28		right of a producer to disclose the terms of
29		agricultural contracts under Section 20.
30		(E) Right to exercise other protections. The
31		right of a producer to enforce other protections
32		afforded by this Act or other laws or regulations.
33	(b)	Unfair practices. It shall be unlawful for any

contractor to knowingly do or permit any employee or agent to

- 1 do any of the following in connection with production 2 contracts:
  - (1) Retaliation. To take actions to coerce, intimidate, disadvantage, retaliate against, or discriminate against any producer because the producer exercises, or attempts to exercise, any producer right, or to diminish or deny a reward, or impose a penalty, without a reasonable basis for doing so.
    - (2) False information. To provide false information to the producer, which may include false information relating to any of the following:
      - (A) A producer with whom the producer associates or an association of producers or an agricultural organization with which the producer is affiliated, including but not limited to (i) the character of the producer or (ii) the condition of the finances or the management of the association of producers or agricultural organization.
      - (B) Producer rights provided by this Act or other provisions of law.
    - (3) Compensation information. To refuse to provide to a producer in a timely manner the statistical data and other data used to determine compensation paid to the producer under a production contract, including, but not limited to, feed conversion rates, feed analyses, and origination and breeder history.
    - (4) Observation of weighing. To refuse to allow a producer or the producer's designated representative to observe, at the time of weighing, the weights and measures used to determine the producer's compensation under a production contract.
    - (5) Additional capital investments. To require a producer to make new or additional capital investments that are beyond the investment requirements of a

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- (6) Disclosure of risks and readability. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract in violation of the disclosure of material terms and conditions and readability requirements of Section 15.
- (7) Confidentiality provisions. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract that includes a confidentiality provision in violation of Section 20.
- (8) Waivers. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract that includes a waiver of any producer right or any obligation of a contractor or processor established under this Act.
- (9) Forum. To execute an production contract requiring a cause of action to be brought in a location other than the state in which the commodity subject to the production contract is grown or produced.
- (10) Limitation on damages. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract that contains language limiting the producer's damages in the event of a breach or other failure to perform the production contract by the contractor.
- (11) Contract inputs. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract in which the contractor requires the use of certain contract inputs but also attempts to limit its liability for a failure of the contract inputs to perform in accordance with the producer's reasonable expectations.
- (12) Use of certain undefined terms. To provide, offer, or execute a production contract requiring or suggesting that the producer "segregate", "identity preserve", or "channel" the commodity, or using variations or derivatives of these terms, without providing definitions of these terms and guidelines describing how producers should satisfy these

- 1 requirements.
- 2 (13) Alter the quality, quantity, or delivery times
- of contract inputs provided to the producer.
- 4 Section 35. Waivers unenforceable. Any provision of a
- 5 production contract that waives a producer right or an
- 6 obligation of a contractor established by this Act is void
- 7 and unenforceable. This Section does not affect other
- 8 provisions of a production contract or a related document,
- 9 policy, or agreement that can be given effect without the
- 10 voided provision.
- 11 Section 40. Choice of law; forum. Any condition,
- 12 stipulation, or provision requiring the application of the
- law of a state other than the State of Illinois, or requiring
- 14 a cause of action to be brought in a state other than the
- 15 State of Illinois, is void and unenforceable.
- 16 Section 45. Penalties and enforcement.
- 17 (a) Civil penalties. A contractor committing an unfair
- 18 practice under Section 30 is subject to a civil penalty of up
- 19 to \$1000 per violation per day.
- 20 (b) Criminal penalties. A contractor committing an
- 21 unfair practice under Section 30 is guilty of a Class C
- 22 misdemeanor.
- 23 (c) Private cause of action. A producer who suffers
- 24 damages because of a contractor's violation of this Act may
- 25 bring a private civil action against the contractor and
- 26 obtain appropriate legal and equitable relief, including
- damages.
- 28 (1) Attorneys fees. In a civil action against the
- contractor, the court shall award any producer who is the
- 30 prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and other
- 31 litigation expenses.

1	(2) Injunctive relief. In order to obtain
2	injunctive relief, the producer is not required to post a
3	bond, prove the absence of an adequate remedy at law, or
4	show the existence of special circumstances, unless the
5	court for good cause otherwise orders. The court may
6	order any form of prohibitory or mandatory relief that is
7	appropriate under principles of equity, including but not
8	limited to issuing a temporary or permanent restraining
9	order.

- (d) Enforcement by Attorney General. The Attorney General's office is the agency primarily responsible for enforcing this Act. In enforcing the provisions of this Act, the Attorney General may do all of the following:
- (1) Injunctions. Apply to the circuit court for an injunction to do any of the following:
  - (A) Restrain a contractor from engaging in conduct or practices in violation of this Act.
  - (B) Require a contractor to comply with a provision of this Act.
  - (2) Subpoenas. Apply to the circuit court for the issuance of a subpoena to obtain a production contract or material related to actions undertaken in entering into the production contract or related to the intent with which those actions were taken, for purposes of enforcing this Act.
- 26 (3) Penalties. Bring an action in the circuit court 27 to enforce penalties provided in subsections (a) and (b).
- Section 50. Rulemaking. The Director must adopt rules necessary to implement this Act not later than January 1, 2002.
- 31 Section 55. Applicability

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32 (a) General Rule. Except as provided in subsection (b),

- 1 this Act applies to production contracts in force on or after
- 2 the effective date of this Act, regardless of the date the
- 3 production contract is executed.
- 4 (b) Exceptions. Section 15, relating to disclosure of
- 5 material terms and conditions, Section 25, relating to
- 6 production contracts involving investment requirements, and
- 7 Section 40, relating to choice of law and forum, shall apply
- 8 to production contracts executed or substantively amended
- 9 after the effective date of this Act.
- 10 Section 90. The Freedom of Information Act is amended by
- 11 changing Section 7 as follows:
- 12 (5 ILCS 140/7) (from Ch. 116, par. 207)
- 13 Sec. 7. Exemptions.
- 14 (1) The following shall be exempt from inspection and
- 15 copying:
- 16 (a) Information specifically prohibited from
- 17 disclosure by federal or State law or rules and
- 18 regulations adopted under federal or State law.
- 19 (b) Information that, if disclosed, would
- 20 constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal
- 21 privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing
- 22 by the individual subjects of the information. The
- 23 disclosure of information that bears on the public duties
- of public employees and officials shall not be considered
- an invasion of personal privacy. Information exempted
- under this subsection (b) shall include but is not
- 27 limited to:
- 28 (i) files and personal information maintained
- 29 with respect to clients, patients, residents,
- 30 students or other individuals receiving social,
- 31 medical, educational, vocational, financial,
- 32 supervisory or custodial care or services directly

1	or indirectly from federal agencies or public
2	bodies;
3	(ii) personnel files and personal information
4	maintained with respect to employees, appointees or
5	elected officials of any public body or applicants
6	for those positions;
7	(iii) files and personal information
8	maintained with respect to any applicant, registrant
9	or licensee by any public body cooperating with or
10	engaged in professional or occupational
11	registration, licensure or discipline;
12	(iv) information required of any taxpayer in
13	connection with the assessment or collection of any
14	tax unless disclosure is otherwise required by State
15	statute; and
16	(v) information revealing the identity of
17	persons who file complaints with or provide
18	information to administrative, investigative, law
19	enforcement or penal agencies; provided, however,
20	that identification of witnesses to traffic
21	accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue
22	reports may be provided by agencies of local
23	government, except in a case for which a criminal
24	investigation is ongoing, without constituting a
25	clearly unwarranted per se invasion of personal
26	privacy under this subsection.
27	(c) Records compiled by any public body for
28	administrative enforcement proceedings and any law
29	enforcement or correctional agency for law enforcement
30	purposes or for internal matters of a public body, but
31	only to the extent that disclosure would:
32	(i) interfere with pending or actually and
33	reasonably contemplated law enforcement proceedings
34	conducted by any law enforcement or correctional

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2	(ii) interfere with pending administrative
3	enforcement proceedings conducted by any public
4	body;
5	(iii) deprive a person of a fair trial or ar
6	impartial hearing;
7	(iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a
8	confidential source or confidential information
9	furnished only by the confidential source;
10	(v) disclose unique or specialized
11	investigative techniques other than those generally
12	used and known or disclose internal documents of
13	correctional agencies related to detection,
14	observation or investigation of incidents of crime
15	or misconduct;
16	(vi) constitute an invasion of personal
17	privacy under subsection (b) of this Section;
18	(vii) endanger the life or physical safety of
19	law enforcement personnel or any other person; or
20	(viii) obstruct an ongoing criminal
21	investigation.
22	(d) Criminal history record information maintained
23	by State or local criminal justice agencies, except the
24	following which shall be open for public inspection and
25	copying:
26	(i) chronologically maintained arrest
27	information, such as traditional arrest logs or
28	blotters;
29	(ii) the name of a person in the custody of a
30	law enforcement agency and the charges for which
31	that person is being held;
32	(iii) court records that are public;
33	(iv) records that are otherwise available
34	under State or local law; or

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(v) records in which the requesting party is
the individual identified, except as provided under
part (vii) of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of
this Section.

"Criminal history record information" means data identifiable to an individual and consisting descriptions or notations of arrests, detentions, indictments, informations, pre-trial proceedings, trials, or other formal events in the criminal justice system or descriptions or notations of criminal charges (including criminal violations of local municipal ordinances) and nature of any disposition arising therefrom, the including sentencing, court or correctional supervision, rehabilitation and release. The term does not apply to statistical records and reports in which individuals are not identified and from which their identities are not ascertainable, or to information that is for criminal investigative or intelligence purposes.

- (e) Records that relate to or affect the security of correctional institutions and detention facilities.
- (f) Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body. The exemption provided in this paragraph (f) extends to all those records of officers and agencies of the General Assembly that pertain to the preparation of legislative documents.
- (g) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or information are proprietary, privileged or confidential, or where disclosure of the trade secrets or information may cause competitive harm, including all

- information determined to be confidential under Section
  4002 of the Technology Advancement and Development Act.
  Nothing contained in this paragraph (g) shall be
  construed to prevent a person or business from consenting
  to disclosure.
  - (h) Proposals and bids for any contract, grant, or agreement, including information which if it were disclosed would frustrate procurement or give an advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contractor agreement with the body, until an award or final selection is made. Information prepared by or for the body in preparation of a bid solicitation shall be exempt until an award or final selection is made.
  - (i) Valuable formulae, designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be expected to produce private gain or public loss.
  - (j) Test questions, scoring keys and other examination data used to administer an academic examination or determined the qualifications of an applicant for a license or employment.
  - (k) Architects' plans and engineers' technical submissions for projects not constructed or developed in whole or in part with public funds and for projects constructed or developed with public funds, to the extent that disclosure would compromise security.
  - (1) Library circulation and order records identifying library users with specific materials.
  - (m) Minutes of meetings of public bodies closed to the public as provided in the Open Meetings Act until the public body makes the minutes available to the public under Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.
  - (n) Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that

would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body, and materials prepared or compiled with respect to internal audits of public bodies.

- (o) Information received by a primary or secondary school, college or university under its procedures for the evaluation of faculty members by their academic peers.
- (p) Administrative or technical information associated with automated data processing operations, including but not limited to software, operating protocols, computer program abstracts, file layouts, source listings, object modules, load modules, user guides, documentation pertaining to all logical and physical design of computerized systems, employee manuals, and any other information that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the security of the system or its data or the security of materials exempt under this Section.
- (q) Documents or materials relating to collective negotiating matters between public bodies and their employees or representatives, except that any final contract or agreement shall be subject to inspection and copying.
- (r) Drafts, notes, recommendations and memoranda pertaining to the financing and marketing transactions of the public body. The records of ownership, registration, transfer, and exchange of municipal debt obligations, and of persons to whom payment with respect to these obligations is made.
- (s) The records, documents and information relating to real estate purchase negotiations until those negotiations have been completed or otherwise terminated.

With regard to a parcel involved in a pending or actually and reasonably contemplated eminent domain proceeding under Article VII of the Code of Civil Procedure, records, documents and information relating to that parcel shall be exempt except as may be allowed under discovery rules adopted by the Illinois Supreme Court. The records, documents and information relating to a real estate sale shall be exempt until a sale is consummated.

- (t) Any and all proprietary information and records related to the operation of an intergovernmental risk management association or self-insurance pool or jointly self-administered health and accident cooperative or pool.
- (u) Information concerning a university's adjudication of student or employee grievance or disciplinary cases, to the extent that disclosure would reveal the identity of the student or employee and information concerning any public body's adjudication of student or employee grievances or disciplinary cases, except for the final outcome of the cases.
- (v) Course materials or research materials used by faculty members.
- (w) Information related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of a public body.
- (x) Information contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of a public body responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions or insurance companies, unless disclosure is otherwise required by State law.
- $\mbox{(y)}$  Information the disclosure of which is restricted under Section 5-108 of the Public Utilities Act.
- (z) Manuals or instruction to staff that relate to

establishment or collection of liability for any State tax or that relate to investigations by a public body to determine violation of any criminal law.

- (aa) Applications, related documents, and medical records received by the Experimental Organ Transplantation Procedures Board and any and all documents or other records prepared by the Experimental Organ Transplantation Procedures Board or its staff relating to applications it has received.
- (bb) Insurance or self insurance (including any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool) claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications.
- (cc) Information and records held by the Department of Public Health and its authorized representatives relating to known or suspected cases of sexually transmissible disease or any information the disclosure of which is restricted under the Illinois Sexually Transmissible Disease Control Act.
- (dd) Information the disclosure of which is exempted under Section 30 of the Radon Industry Licensing Act.
- (ee) Firm performance evaluations under Section 55 of the Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications Based Selection Act.
- (ff) Security portions of system safety program plans, investigation reports, surveys, schedules, lists, data, or information compiled, collected, or prepared by or for the Regional Transportation Authority under Section 2.11 of the Regional Transportation Authority Act or the State of Missouri under the Bi-State Transit Safety Act.
- (gg) Information the disclosure of which is restricted and exempted under Section 50 of the Illinois

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- 2 (hh) Information the disclosure of which is 3 exempted under Section 80 of the State Gift Ban Act.
  - (ii) Beginning July 1, 1999, information that would disclose or might lead to the disclosure of secret or confidential information, codes, algorithms, programs, or private keys intended to be used to create electronic or digital signatures under the Electronic Commerce Security Act.
- (jj) Information contained in a local emergency energy plan submitted to a municipality in accordance with a local emergency energy plan ordinance that is adopted under Section 11-21.5-5 of the Illinois Municipal Code.
- 15 (kk) (jj) Information and data concerning the 16 distribution of surcharge moneys collected and remitted 17 by wireless carriers under the Wireless Emergency 18 Telephone Safety Act.
- (11) Production contracts submitted for review to
  the Director of Agriculture under Section 15 of the
  Agriculture Producer Protection Act.
- 22 (2) This Section does not authorize withholding of 23 information or limit the availability of records to the 24 public, except as stated in this Section or otherwise 25 provided in this Act.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 90-262, eff. 7-30-97; 90-273, eff. 7-30-97;
- 27 90-546, eff. 12-1-97; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 90-737, eff.
- 28 1-1-99; 90-759, eff. 7-1-99; 91-137, eff. 7-16-99; 91-357,
- 29 eff. 7-29-99; 91-660, eff. 12-22-99; revised 1-17-00.)
- 30 Section 99. Effective date. This Section and Section 50 31 take effect upon becoming law. The remainder of this Act 32 takes effect on January 1, 2002.".