- 1 AN ACT in relation to support.
- it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by 4
- changing Sections 10-10, 10-10.1, 10-10.2, 10-10.3, 10-10.5, 5
- 10-11, and 10-26 as follows: б
- (305 ILCS 5/10-10) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-10) 7
- 8 Sec. 10-10. Court enforcement; applicability also to
- persons who are not applicants or recipients. Except where 9
- the Illinois Department, by agreement, acts for the local 10
- governmental unit, as provided in Section 10-3.1, local 11
- governmental units shall refer to the State's Attorney or to 12
- 13 the proper legal representative of the governmental unit, for
- judicial enforcement as herein provided, instances of 14
- 15 non-support or insufficient support when the dependents are
- applicants or recipients under Article VI. The Child and 16
- Spouse Support Unit established by Section 10-3.1 17
- institute in behalf of the Illinois Department any actions 18
- under this Section for judicial enforcement of the support 19
- recipients under Articles III, IV, V or VII (b) applicants or

dependents are (a) applicants or

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- 22 recipients in a local governmental unit when the Illinois
- Department, by agreement, acts for the unit; or (c) 23
- non-applicants or non-recipients who are receiving support 24
- enforcement services under this Article X, as provided in 25
- 26 Section 10-1. Where the Child and Spouse Support Unit has
- 27 exercised its option and discretion not to apply the
- provisions of Sections 10-3 through 10-8, the failure by the 28
- 29 Unit to apply such provisions shall not be a bar to bringing
- an action under this Section. 30

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support, or for the recovery of aid granted during the period such support was not provided, or both for the obtainment of support and the recovery of the aid provided. Actions for the recovery of aid may be taken separately or they may be consolidated with actions to obtain support. Such actions may be brought in the name of the person or persons requiring support, or may be brought in the name of the Illinois Department or the local governmental unit, as the case requires, in behalf of such persons.

The court may enter such orders for the payment of moneys for the support of the person as may be just and equitable and may direct payment thereof for such period or periods of time as the circumstances require, including support for a period before the date the order for support is entered. The order may be entered against any or all of the defendant responsible relatives and may be based upon the proportionate ability of each to contribute to the person's support.

The Court shall determine the amount of child support (including child support for a period before the date the order for child support is entered) by using the guidelines and standards set forth in subsection (a) of Section 505 and in Section 505.2 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. For purposes of determining the amount of child support to be paid for a period before the date the order for child support is entered, there is a rebuttable presumption that the responsible relative's net income for that period was the same as his or her net income at the time the order is entered.

If (i) the responsible relative was properly served with a request for discovery of financial information relating to the responsible relative's ability to provide child support, (ii) the responsible relative failed to comply with the request, despite having been ordered to do so by the court, and (iii) the responsible relative is not present at the

1 hearing to determine support despite having received proper

2 notice, then any relevant financial information concerning

3 the responsible relative's ability to provide child support

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shall be admitted into evidence without the need to establish

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An order entered under this Section before July 1, 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to the clerk of the court within 10 days each time the obligor obtains new employment, and each time the obligor's employment is terminated for any reason. An order entered under this Section after June 30, 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee, the Illinois Department, and the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26, within 5 business days, each time the obligor obtains new employment and each time the obligor's employment is terminated for any reason. The report shall be in writing and shall, in the case new employment, include the name and address of the new employer.

Failure to report new employment or the termination of current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for a period in excess of 60 days, is indirect criminal contempt. For any obligor arrested for failure to report new employment bond shall be set in the amount of the child support that should have been paid during the period of unreported employment.

An order entered under this Section shall also include a provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise each other of a change in residence within 5 days of the change except when the court 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.

The Court shall determine the amount of maintenance using

the standards set forth in Section 504 of the Illinois
Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

Any new or existing support order entered by the court 3 4 under this Section shall be deemed to be a series of 5 against the person obligated to pay support judgments 6 thereunder, each such judgment to be in the amount of each 7 payment or installment of support and each such judgment to be deemed entered as of the date the corresponding payment or 8 9 installment becomes due under the terms of the support order. Each such judgment shall have the full force, effect and 10 11 attributes of any other judgment of this State, including the ability to be enforced. Any such judgment is subject to 12 modification or termination only in accordance with Section 13 510 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. 14 15 lien arises by operation of law against the real and 16 personal property of the noncustodial parent for installment of overdue support owed by the noncustodial 17 18 parent.

When an order is entered for the support of a minor, the court may provide therein for reasonable visitation of the minor by the person or persons who provided support pursuant to the order. Whoever willfully refuses to comply with such visitation order or willfully interferes with its enforcement may be declared in contempt of court and punished therefor.

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Except where the local governmental unit has entered into an agreement with the Illinois Department for the Child and Spouse Support Unit to act for it, as provided in Section 10-3.1, support orders entered by the court in cases involving applicants or recipients under Article VI shall provide that payments thereunder be made directly to the local governmental unit. Orders for the support of all other applicants or recipients shall provide that payments thereunder be made directly to the Illinois Department. In accordance with federal law and regulations, the Illinois

1 Department may continue to collect current maintenance 2 payments or child support payments, or both, after those persons cease to receive public assistance 3 and 4 termination of services under Article X. The Illinois 5 Department shall pay the net amount collected to those 6 persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the 7 collection or any collection fee from the amount of any recovery made. In both cases the order shall permit 8 9 local governmental unit or the Illinois Department, as the case may be, to direct the responsible relative or relatives 10 11 to make support payments directly to the needy person, or to some person or agency in his behalf, upon removal of the 12 person from the public aid rolls or upon termination of 13 services under Article X. 14

If the notice of support due issued pursuant to Section 10-7 directs that support payments be made directly to the needy person, or to some person or agency in his behalf, and the recipient is removed from the public aid rolls, court action may be taken against the responsible relative hereunder if he fails to furnish support in accordance with the terms of such notice.

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Actions may also be brought under this Section in behalf of any person who is in need of support from responsible relatives, as defined in Section 2-11 of Article II who is not an applicant for or recipient of financial aid under this Code. In such instances, the State's Attorney of the county in which such person resides shall bring action against the responsible relatives hereunder. If the Illinois Department, as authorized by Section 10-1, extends the support services provided by this Article to spouses and dependent children who are not applicants or recipients under this Code, the Child and Spouse Support Unit established by Section 10-3.1 shall bring action against the responsible relatives hereunder and any support orders entered by the court in such

cases shall provide that payments thereunder be made directly to the Illinois Department.

Whenever it is determined in a proceeding to establish or 3 4 enforce a child support or maintenance obligation that the person owing a duty of support is unemployed, the court may 5 6 order the person to seek employment and report periodically 7 to the court with a diary, listing or other memorandum of his 8 her efforts in accordance with such order. Additionally, 9 the court may order the unemployed person to report to the Department of Employment Security for job search services or 10 11 to make application with the local <u>Job</u> Jobs Training Partnership Act provider for participation in job search, 12 training or work programs and where the duty of support is 13 owed to a child receiving support services under this Article 14 15 X, the court may order the unemployed person to report to the 16 Illinois Department for participation in job search, training or work programs established under Section 9-6 and Article 17 IXA of this Code. 18

Whenever it is determined that a person owes past-due support for a child receiving assistance under this Code, the court shall order at the request of the Illinois Department:

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- (1) that the person pay the past-due support in accordance with a plan approved by the court; or
- (2) if the person owing past-due support is unemployed, is subject to such a plan, and is not incapacitated, that the person participate in such job search, training, or work programs established under Section 9-6 and Article IXA of this Code as the court deems appropriate.

A determination under this Section shall not be administratively reviewable by the procedures specified in Sections 10-12, and 10-13 to 10-13.10. Any determination under these Sections, if made the basis of court action under this Section, shall not affect the de novo judicial

1 determination required under this Section.

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A one-time charge of 20% is imposable upon the amount of past-due child support owed on July 1, 1988 which has accrued under a support order entered by the court. The charge shall be imposed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-21 of this Code and shall be enforced by the court upon petition.

All orders for support, when entered or modified, shall include a provision requiring the non-custodial parent to notify the court (before July 1, 2002) or the State <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 (after June</u> 30, 2002) and, in cases in which a party is receiving child and spouse support services under this Article X, Illinois Department, within 7 days (before July 1, 2002) or 5 business days (after June 30, 2002), (i) of the name, address, and telephone number of any new employer of the non-custodial parent, (ii) whether the non-custodial parent has access to health insurance coverage through the employer or other group coverage and, if so, the policy name and number and the names of persons covered under the policy, and (iii) of any new residential or mailing address or telephone number of the non-custodial parent. In any subsequent action to enforce a support order, upon a sufficient showing that a diligent effort has been made to ascertain the location of the non-custodial parent, service of process or provision of notice necessary in the case may be made at the last known address of the non-custodial parent in any manner expressly provided by the Code of Civil Procedure or this Code, which service shall be sufficient for purposes of due process.

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 majority or is otherwise emancipated. The order for support shall state that the

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1 termination date does not apply to any arrearage that may 2 remain unpaid on that date. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent the court from modifying the order. 3

notification in writing or by electronic Upon transmission from the Illinois Department to the clerk of the court and (after June 30, 2002) the State Disbursement Unit that a person who is receiving support payments under this Section is receiving services under the Child Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently received by the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement Unit shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions of the Illinois Department until the Illinois Department gives notice to the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement <u>Unit</u> to cease the transmittal. After providing notification authorized under this paragraph, the Illinois Department shall be entitled as a party to notice of further proceedings in the case. The clerk of the court shall file a copy of the Illinois Department's notification in the court file. The clerk's failure to file a copy of the notification in the court file shall not, however, affect the Illinois Department's right to receive notice of further proceedings.

Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department 24 25 pursuant to the Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act shall be paid into 26 the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund. All payments under 27 this Section to the Illinois Department of Human Services 28 shall be deposited in the DHS Recoveries Trust Fund. 30 Disbursements from these funds shall be as provided in Sections 12-9.1 and 12-10.2 of this Code. Payments received 31 32 by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General Assistance Fund. 33

34 To the extent the provisions of this Section are

- 1 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
- 2 Disbursement Unit under Sections 10-10.4 and 10-26 of this
- Code, the requirements pertaining to the State Disbursement 3
- 4 Unit shall apply.
- (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-539, eff. 6-1-98; 5
- 6 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; 90-790, eff.
- 8-14-98; 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-357, 7
- eff. 7-29-99; 91-767, eff. 6-9-00; revised 10-24-00.) 8
- (305 ILCS 5/10-10.1) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-10.1) 9
- 10 Sec. 10-10.1. Public Aid Collection Fee. In all cases
- 11 instituted by the Illinois Department on behalf of a child or
- 12 spouse, other than one receiving a grant of financial aid
- under Article IV, on whose behalf an application has been 13
- 14 made and approved for support services as provided by Section
- 15 10-1, the court shall impose a collection fee on the
- individual who owes a child or spouse support obligation in 16
- 17 an amount equal to 10% of the amount so owed as long as such
- 18 collection is required by federal law, which fee shall be in
- addition to the support obligation. The imposition of such 19
- 2.0 fee shall be in accordance with provisions of Title IV, Part
- 21 D, of the Social Security Act and regulations
- promulgated thereunder. The fee shall be payable to the 22
- clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the State 23
- <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 (after June</u>
- 30, 2002) for transmittal to the Illinois Department and 25
- 26 shall continue until support services are terminated by the
- 27 Department.

- (Source: P.A. 82-979.) 28
- (305 ILCS 5/10-10.2) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-10.2) 29
- 30 10-10.2. Notice to--Elerk--of--Eircuit--Eourt of
- payment received by the Illinois Department for-recording. 31
- 32 For those cases in which support is payable to the clerk of

- 1 the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the State
- 2 <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 (after June</u>
- 3 30, 2002) for transmittal to the Illinois Department by order
- 4 of court, and the Illinois Department collects support by
- 5 assignment, offset, withholding, deduction or other process
- 6 permitted by law, the Illinois Department shall notify the
- 7 clerk or State Disbursement Unit of the date and amount of
- 8 such collection. Upon notification, the clerk or State
- 9 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall record the collection on the payment
- 10 record for the case.
- 11 (Source: P.A. 82-1057.)
- 12 (305 ILCS 5/10-10.3) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-10.3)
- Sec. 10-10.3. For those cases in which child support is
- 14 payable to the clerk of the circuit court (before July 1,
- 15 <u>2002</u>) or the State Disbursement Unit established under
- 16 <u>Section 10-26 (after June 30, 2002)</u> for transmittal to the
- 17 Illinois Department by order of court, the clerk <u>or State</u>
- 18 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall transmit all such payments, within 4
- 19 working days of receipt, to insure that funds are available
- 20 for immediate distribution by the Department to the person or
- 22 Child Support Enforcement Program established under Title

entity entitled thereto in accordance with standards of the

- 23 IV-D of the Social Security Act. The clerk or State
- 24 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall notify the Department of the date of
- 25 receipt and amount thereof at the time of transmittal. Where
- 26 the clerk or State Disbursement Unit has entered into an
- 27 agreement of cooperation with the Department to record the
- 28 terms of child support orders and payments made thereunder
- 29 directly into the Department's automated data processing
- 30 system, the clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall account
- 31 for, transmit and otherwise distribute child support payments
- in accordance with such agreement in lieu of the requirements
- 33 contained herein.

- 1 To the extent the provisions of this Section are
- 2 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
- 3 Disbursement Unit under Sections 10-10.4 and 10-26 of this
- 4 Code, the requirements pertaining to the State Disbursement
- 5 Unit shall apply.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)
- 7 (305 ILCS 5/10-10.5)
- 8 Sec. 10-10.5. Information to State Case Registry.
- 9 (a) When an order for support is entered or modified by
- 10 the circuit court under Section 10-10 before July 1, 2002,
- 11 the clerk of the circuit court shall, within 5 business days,
- 12 provide to the Illinois Department's State Case Registry
- 13 established under Section 10-27 of this Code the court docket
- 14 number and county in which the order is entered or modified
- 15 and the following information, which the parties shall
- 16 disclose to the court:
- 17 (1) The names of the custodial and non-custodial
- 18 parents and the child or children covered by the order.
- 19 (2) The dates of birth of the custodial and
- 20 non-custodial parents and of the child or children
- covered by the order.
- 22 (3) The social security numbers of the custodial
- and non-custodial parents and of the child or children
- 24 covered by the order.
- 25 (4) The residential and mailing addresses for the
- custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 27 (5) The telephone numbers for the custodial and
- non-custodial parents.
- 29 (6) The driver's license numbers for the custodial
- 30 and non-custodial parents.
- 31 (7) The name, address, and telephone number of each
- 32 parent's employer or employers.
- 33 When an order for support is entered or modified by the

- 1 circuit court under Section 10-10 after June 30, 2002, the
- 2 <u>clerk</u> shall provide the information to the Illinois
- 3 <u>Department within 5 business days</u>, and the Illinois
- 4 Department shall promptly transmit the information to the
- 5 <u>State Case Registry.</u>
- 6 (b) When a child support order is entered or modified
- 7 <u>before July 1, 2002</u> for a case in which a party is receiving
- 8 child and spouse support services under Article X of this
- 9 Code, the clerk shall provide the State Case Registry with
- 10 the following information:
- 11 (1) The information specified in subsection (a) of
- 12 this Section.
- 13 (2) The amount of monthly or other periodic support
- 14 owed under the order and other amounts, including
- arrearages, interest, or late payment penalties and fees,
- due or overdue under the order.
- 17 (3) Any amounts described in subdivision (2) of
- this subsection (b) that have been received by the clerk.
- 19 (4) The distribution of the amounts received by the
- clerk.
- 21 When a child support order is entered or modified after
- June 30, 2002 for a case in which a party is receiving child
- 23 <u>and spouse support services under Article X of this Code</u>,
- 24 the clerk shall provide the information to the Illinois
- 25 <u>Department</u>, and the Illinois <u>Department shall promptly</u>
- 26 <u>transmit the information to the State Case Registry.</u>
- 27 (b-5) When the clerk provides information to the Illinois
- 28 <u>Department under subsection (b), the Illinois Department</u>
- 29 <u>shall determine whether the State Disbursement Unit</u>
- 30 <u>established under Section 10-26 has received any amounts</u>
- 31 <u>described in subdivision (b)(2). If the State Disbursement</u>
- 32 <u>Unit has received any such amounts, the Illinois Department</u>
- 33 <u>shall cause the following information to be provided to the</u>
- 34 Registry:

- 1 (1) All such amounts received by the State
 2 Disbursement Unit.
- 3 (2) The distribution of those amounts.
- 4 (c) A party shall report to the clerk of the circuit 5 court changes in information required to <u>be</u> the disclosed 6 under this Section within 5 business days of the change.
- 7 (d) To the extent that updated information is in the 8 clerk's possession, the clerk shall provide updates of the 9 information specified in subsection (b) of this Section 10 within 5 business days after the Illinois Department's 11 request for that updated information.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)
- 13 (305 ILCS 5/10-11) (from Ch. 23, par. 10-11)

10-11. Administrative Orders. In lieu of actions 14 15 for court enforcement of support under Section 10-10, the Child and Spouse Support Unit of the Illinois Department, in 16 17 accordance with the rules of the Illinois Department, issue an administrative order requiring the responsible 18 relative to comply with the terms of the determination and 19 20 notice of support due, determined and issued under Sections 10-6 and 10-7. The Unit may also enter an administrative 21 22 order under subsection (b) of Section 10-7.administrative order shall be served upon the responsible 23 24 relative by United States registered or certified mail. cases in which the responsible relative appeared at the 25 office of the Child and Spouse Support Unit in response 26 27 the notice of support obligation issued under Section 10-4, however, or in cases of default in which the notice was 28 29 served on the responsible relative by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by any method provided by law for 30 31 service of summons, the administrative determination of paternity or administrative support order may be sent to the 32 responsible relative by ordinary mail addressed to the 33

responsible relative's last known address.

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2 If a responsible relative or a person receiving child and spouse support services under this Article fails to petition 3 4 the Illinois Department for release from or modification of 5 the administrative order, as provided in Section 10-12 or 6 Section 10-12.1, the order shall become final and there shall 7 be no further administrative or judicial remedy. Likewise a 8 decision by the Illinois Department as a result of an 9 administrative hearing, as provided in Sections 10-13 to 10-13.10, shall become final and enforceable 10 if 11 judicially reviewed under the Administrative Review Law, as provided in Section 10-14. 12 Any new or existing support order entered by the Illinois 13 Department under this Section shall be deemed to be a series 14 15 judgments against the person obligated to pay support 16 thereunder, each such judgment to be in the amount of each payment or installment of support and each such judgment to 17 18 be deemed entered as of the date the corresponding payment or 19 installment becomes due under the terms of the support order. Each such judgment shall have the full force, effect and 20 21 attributes of any other judgment of this State, including the 22 ability to be enforced. Any such judgment is subject to 23 modification or termination only in accordance with Section 510 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. 24 25 A lien arises by operation of law against the real and personal property of the noncustodial parent for each 26 installment of overdue support owed by the noncustodial 27 28 parent. An order entered under this Section before July 1, 2002 29 30 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to the clerk of the court within 10 days each 31 32 time the obligor obtains new employment, and each time the

obligor's employment is terminated for any reason.

entered under this Section after June 30, 2002 shall include

<u>An order</u>

- 1 <u>a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee,</u>
- 2 the Illinois Department, and the State Disbursement Unit
- 3 <u>established under Section 10-26, within 5 business days, each</u>
- 4 <u>time the obligor obtains new employment and each time the</u>
- 5 <u>obligor's employment is terminated for any reason.</u> The
- 6 report shall be in writing and shall, in the case of new
- 7 employment, include the name and address of the new employer.
- 8 Failure to report new employment or the termination of
- 9 current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for
- 10 a period in excess of 60 days, is indirect criminal contempt.
- 11 For any obligor arrested for failure to report new employment
- 12 bond shall be set in the amount of the child support that
- 13 should have been paid during the period of unreported
- 14 employment.
- 15 An order entered under this Section shall also include a
- 16 provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise
- each other of a change in residence within 5 days of the
- 18 change except when the court finds that the physical,
- 19 mental, or emotional health of a party or that of a minor
- 20 child, or both, would be seriously endangered by disclosure
- of the party's address.
- 22 A one-time charge of 20% is imposable upon the amount of
- 23 past-due child support owed on July 1, 1988, which has
- 24 accrued under a support order entered by the Illinois
- 25 Department under this Section. The charge shall be imposed
- 26 in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-21 and shall
- 27 be enforced by the court in a suit filed under Section 10-15.
- 28 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-539, eff. 6-1-98;
- 29 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 90-790, eff. 8-14-98; 91-212, eff.
- 30 7-20-99.)
- 31 (305 ILCS 5/10-26)
- 32 Sec. 10-26. State Disbursement Unit.
- 33 (a) Effective October 1, 1999 the Illinois Department

- 1 shall establish a State Disbursement Unit in accordance with
- 2 the requirements of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act.
- 3 The Illinois Department shall enter into an agreement with a
- 4 State or local governmental unit or private entity to perform
- 5 the functions of the State Disbursement Unit as set forth in
- 6 this Section. The State Disbursement Unit shall collect and
- 7 disburse support payments made under court and administrative
- 8 support orders:
- 9 (1) being enforced in cases in which child and 10 spouse support services are being provided under this
- 11 Article X; and
- 12 (2) in all cases in which child and spouse support
- services are not being provided under this Article X and
- in which support payments are made under the provisions
- of the Income Withholding for Support Act; and-
- 16 (3) in other cases as provided by law.
- 17 (a-5) If the State Disbursement Unit receives a support
- 18 payment that was not appropriately made to the Unit under
- 19 this Section, the Unit shall immediately return the payment
- 20 to the sender, including, if possible, instructions detailing
- 21 where to send the support payments.
- (b) All payments received by the State Disbursement
- 23 Unit:
- 24 (1) shall be deposited into an account obtained by
- 25 the State or local governmental unit or private entity,
- as the case may be, and
- 27 (2) distributed and disbursed by the State
- Disbursement Unit, in accordance with the directions of
- the Illinois Department, pursuant to Title IV-D of the
- 30 Social Security Act and rules promulgated by the
- 31 Department.
- 32 (c) All support payments assigned to the Illinois
- 33 Department under Article X of this Code and rules promulgated
- 34 by the Illinois Department that are disbursed to the Illinois

- 1 Department by the State Disbursement Unit shall be paid into
- 2 the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund.
- 3 (d) If the agreement with the State or local
- 4 governmental unit or private entity provided for in this
- 5 Section is not in effect for any reason, the Department shall
- 6 perform the functions of the State Disbursement Unit as set
- 7 forth in this Section for a maximum of 12 months. Payments
- 8 received by the Department in performance of the duties of
- 9 the State Disbursement Unit shall be deposited into the State
- 10 Disbursement Unit Revolving Fund established under Section
- 11 12-8.1.
- 12 (e) By February 1, 2000, the Illinois Department shall
- 13 conduct at least 4 regional training and educational seminars
- 14 to educate the clerks of the circuit court on the general
- operation of the State Disbursement Unit, the role of the
- 16 State Disbursement Unit, and the role of the clerks of the
- 17 circuit court in the collection and distribution of child
- 18 support payments.
- 19 (f) By March 1, 2000, the Illinois Department shall
- 20 conduct at least 4 regional educational and training seminars
- 21 to educate payors, as defined in the Income Withholding for
- 22 Support Act, on the general operation of the State
- 23 Disbursement Unit, the role of the State Disbursement Unit,
- 24 and the distribution of income withholding payments pursuant
- 25 to this Section and the Income Withholding for Support Act.
- 26 (g) On July 1, 2002 the rights, powers, duties, and
- 27 <u>functions</u> of the clerks of the circuit court relating to the
- 28 <u>collection and disbursement of support payments are</u>
- 29 <u>transferred to the State Disbursement Unit as provided in</u>
- 30 <u>this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly.</u> If a
- 31 <u>clerk of the circuit court transmits a support payment to the</u>
- 32 <u>State Disbursement Unit according to the provisions of this</u>
- 33 <u>amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly, the State</u>
- 34 <u>Disbursement Unit shall disburse the payment as required by</u>

law or an order of the court.

2	(Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-677, eff. 1-5-00;
3	91-712, eff. 7-1-00.)
4	Section 10. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by
5	changing Sections 27.1, 27.1a, 27.2, and 27.2a and adding
6	Section 27.10 as follows:
7	(705 ILCS 105/27.1) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1)
8	Sec. 27.1. The fees of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in
9	all counties having a population of 180,000 inhabitants or
10	less shall be paid in advance, except as otherwise provided,
11	and shall be as follows:
12	(a) Civil Cases.
13	(1) All civil cases except as otherwise
14	provided\$40
15	(2) Judicial Sales (except Probate) \$40
16	(b) Family.
17	(1) Commitment petitions under the Mental
18	Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, filing
19	transcript of commitment proceedings held in
20	another county, and cases under the Juvenile Court
21	Act of 1987\$25
22	(2) Petition for Marriage Licenses \$10
23	(3) Marriages in Court\$10
24	(4) Paternity\$40
25	(c) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal.
26	(1) Each person convicted of a felony \$40
27	(2) Each person convicted of a misdemeanor,
28	leaving scene of an accident, driving while
29	intoxicated, reckless driving or drag racing,
30	driving when license revoked or suspended,
31	overweight, or no interstate commerce certificate,
32	or when the disposition is court supervision \$25

	(3) Each person convicted of a business	1
\$25	offense	2
\$25	(4) Each person convicted of a petty offense.	3
	(5) Minor traffic, conservation, or	4
	ordinance violation, including	5
	without limitation when the disposition is	6
	court supervision:	7
\$10	(i) For each offense	8
	(ii) For each notice sent to the	9
	defendant's last known address pursuant to	10
	subsection (c) of Section 6-306.4 of the Illinois	11
\$2	Vehicle Code	12
	(iii) For each notice sent to the	13
	Secretary of State pursuant to subsection (c) of	14
\$2	Section 6-306.4 of the Illinois Vehicle Code	15
\$15	(6) When Court Appearance required	16
\$10	(7) Motions to vacate or amend final orders	17
	(8) In ordinance violation cases punishable	18
	by fine only, the clerk of the circuit court shall	19
	be entitled to receive, unless the fee is excused	20
	upon a finding by the court that the defendant is	21
	indigent, in addition to other fees or costs	22
	allowed or imposed by law, the sum of \$62.50 as a	23
	fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall	24
	be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his	25
	or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by	26
	the defendant, no jury shall be called, and the	27
	case shall be tried by the court without a jury.	28
	(d) Other Civil Cases.	29
	(1) Money or personal property claimed does	30
\$10	not exceed \$500	31
\$25	(2) Exceeds \$500 but not more than \$10,000	32
	(3) Exceeds \$10,000, when relief in addition	33
	to or supplemental to recovery of money alone is	34

	sought in an action to recover personal property	Τ
	taxes or retailers occupational tax regardless of	2
\$45	amount claimed	3
	(4) The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall be	4
	entitled to receive, in addition to other fees	5
	allowed by law, the sum of \$62.50, as a fee for the	6
	services of a jury in every civil action not	7
	quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding	8
	for the exercise of the right of eminent domain,	9
	and in every equitable action wherein the right of	10
	trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury	11
	fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at	12
	the time of filing his jury demand. If such a fee	13
	is not paid by either party, no jury shall be	14
	called in the action, suit, or proceeding, and the	15
	same shall be tried by the court without a jury.	16
	(e) Confession of judgment and answer.	17
\$20	(1) When the amount does not exceed \$1,000	18
\$40	(2) Exceeds \$1,000	19
	(f) Auxiliary Proceedings.	20
	Any auxiliary proceeding relating to the	21
	collection of a money judgment, including	22
\$5	garnishment, citation, or wage deduction action	23
	(g) Forcible entry and detainer.	24
	(1) For possession only or possession and	25
\$10	rent not in excess of \$10,000	26
	(2) For possession and rent in excess of	27
\$40	\$10,000	28
	(h) Eminent Domain <u>.</u>	29
\$45	(1) Exercise of Eminent Domain	30
	(2) For each and every lot or tract of land	31
	or right or interest therein subject to be	32
	condemned, the damages in respect to which shall	33
\$45	require separate assessments by a jury	34

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2	Each case including petition for modification	
3	of a judgment or order of Court if filed later than	
4	30 days after the entry of a judgment or order,	
5	except in forcible entry and detainer cases and	
6	small claims and except a petition to modify,	
7	terminate, or enforce a judgement or order for	
8	child or spousal support or to modify, suspend, or	
9	terminate an order for withholding, petition to	
10	vacate judgment of dismissal for want of	
11	prosecution whenever filed, petition to reopen an	
12	estate, or redocketing of any cause	\$20
13	(j) Probate.	
14	(1) Administration of decedent's estates,	
15	whether testate or intestate, guardianships of the	
16	person or estate or both of a person under legal	
17	disability, guardianships of the person or estate	
18	or both of a minor or minors, or petitions to sell	
19	real estate in the administration of any estate	\$50
20	(2) Small estates in cases where the real and	
21	personal property of an estate does not exceed	
22	\$5,000	\$25
23	(3) At any time during the administration of	
24	the estate, however, at the request of the Clerk,	
25	the Court shall examine the record of the estate	
26	and the personal representative to determine the	
27	total value of the real and personal property of	
28	the estate, and if such value exceeds \$5,000 shall	
29	order the payment of an additional fee in the	
30	amount of	\$40
31	(4) Inheritance tax proceedings	\$15
32	(5) Issuing letters only for a certain	
33	specific reason other than the administration of an	

estate, including but not limited to the release of

1		mortgage; the issue of letters of guardianship in	
2		order that consent to marriage may be granted or	
3		for some other specific reason other than for the	
4		care of property or person; proof of heirship	
5		without administration; or when a will is to be	
6		admitted to probate, but the estate is to be	
7		settled without administration	\$10
8		(6) When a separate complaint relating to any	
9		matter other than a routine claim is filed in an	
10		estate, the required additional fee shall be	
11		charged for such filing	\$45
12	(k)	Change of Venue.	
13		From a court, the charge is the same amount as	
14		the original filing fee; however, the fee for	
15		preparation and certification of record on change	
16		of venue, when original documents or copies are	
17		forwarded	\$10
18	(1)	Answer, adverse pleading, or appearance.	
19		In civil cases	\$15
20		With the following exceptions:	
21		(1) When the amount does not exceed \$500	\$5
22		(2) When amount exceeds \$500 but not \$10,000.	\$10
23		(3) When amount exceeds \$10,000	\$15
24		(4) Court appeals when documents are	
25		forwarded, over 200 pages, additional fee per page	
26		over 200	10¢
27	(m)	Tax objection complaints.	
28		For each tax objection complaint containing	
29		one or more tax objections, regardless of the	
30		number of parcels involved or the number of	
31		taxpayers joining the complaint	\$10
32	(n)	Tax deed.	
33		(1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel	
34		is involved	\$45

1	(2) For each additional parcel involved, an	
2	additional fee of	\$10
3 (0) Mailing Notices and Processes.	
4	(1) All notices that the clerk is required to	
5	mail as first class mail	\$2
6	(2) For all processes or notices the Clerk is	
7	required to mail by certified or registered mail,	
8	the fee will be \$2 plus cost of postage.	
9 (p) Certification or Authentication.	
10	(1) Each certification or authentication for	
11	taking the acknowledgement of a deed or other	
12	instrument in writing with seal of office	\$2
13	(2) Court appeals when original documents are	
14	forwarded, 100 pages or under, plus delivery costs.	\$25
15	(3) Court appeals when original documents are	
16	forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery costs	\$60
17	(4) Court appeals when original documents are	
18	forwarded, over 200 pages, additional fee per page	
19	over 200	10¢
20 (q) Reproductions.	
21	Each record of proceedings and judgment,	
22	whether on appeal, change of venue, certified	
23	copies of orders and judgments, and all other	
24	instruments, documents, records, or papers:	
25	(1) First page	\$1
26	(2) Next 19 pages, per page	50¢
27	(3) All remaining pages, per page	25¢
28 (r) Counterclaim <u>.</u>	
29	When any defendant files a counterclaim as	
30	part of his or her answer or otherwise, or joins	
31	another party as a third party defendant, or both,	
32	he or she shall pay a fee for each such	
33	counterclaim or third party action in an amount	
34	equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay	

- had he or she brought a separate action for the relief sought in the counterclaim or against the third party defendant, less the amount of the
- 4 appearance fee, if that has been paid.
- 5 (s) Transcript of Judgment.
- From a court, the same fee as if case originally filed.
- 8 (t) Publications.
- 9 The cost of publication shall be paid directly 10 to the publisher by the person seeking the 11 publication, whether the clerk is required by law 12 to publish, or the parties to the action.
- 13 (u) Collections.

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- 14 (1) For all collections made for others,
 15 except the State and County and except in
 16 maintenance or child support cases, a sum equal to
 17 2% of the amount collected and turned over.
 - (2) In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the Supreme Court or the Appellate Court, the Clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the case with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk shall not charge any new or additional fee for the reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall advise the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall have the same right to a jury trial on remand and reinstatement as he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new fee or charge shall be made for a jury trial after remand.
 - (3) In maintenance and child support matters, the Clerk may deduct from each payment an amount equal to the United States postage to be used in mailing the maintenance or child support check to the recipient. <u>Before July 1, 2002</u>, in such cases,

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the Clerk shall collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making such payment for maintaining child support records and the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. Such sum shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid maintenance or child support and shall be deposited in a separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund of which the Clerk shall be the custodian, ex officio, to be used by the Clerk to maintain child support orders and record payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. Unless paid cash or pursuant to an order for withholding, the payment of the fee shall be by a separate instrument from the support payment and shall be made to the order of the Clerk. The Clerk may recover from the person making the maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. If on July 1, 2003 there is any remaining balance in the Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund that is derived from fees paid under this subdivision (u)(3), the Clerk shall promptly transmit that balance to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

(4) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk shall be turned over to the county general fund as an earning of the office.

The Clerk shall also be entitled to a fee of \$5 for certifications made to the Secretary of

1	State as provided in Section 7-703 of the Family
2	Financial Responsibility Law and these fees, if
3	collected before July 1, 2002, shall also be
4	deposited into the separate Maintenance and Child
5	Support Collection Fund. Fees collected under this
6	subdivision (u)(4) after June 30, 2002 shall be
7	deposited into a separate Family Financial
8	Responsibility Certification Fund, of which the
9	Clerk shall be the custodian, ex officio, to be
10	used by the Clerk to offset the costs associated
11	with making the certifications.
12 (v) Correction of Cases.
13	For correcting the case number or case title
14	on any document filed in his office, to be charged
15	against the party that filed the document \$10
16 (w) Record Search.
17	For searching a record, per year searched \$4
18 (x) Printed Output.
19	For each page of hard copy print output, when
20	case records are maintained on an automated medium. \$2
21 (y) Alias Summons.
22	For each alias summons issued\$2
23 (z) Expungement of Records.
24	For each expungement petition filed \$15
25 (aa	a) Other Fees <u>.</u>
26	Any fees not covered by this Section shall be set by
27	rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court, with
28	the approval of the Supreme Court.
29 (bl	b) Exemptions.
30	No fee provided for herein shall be charged to any
31	unit of State or local government or school district
32	unless the Court orders another party to pay such fee on
33	its behalf. The fee requirements of this Section shall
34	not apply to police departments or other law enforcement

agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency" means an agency of the State or a unit of local government that is vested by law or ordinance with the duty to maintain public order and to enforce criminal laws and ordinances. The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of the building to take any of the actions authorized under that subsection.

12 (cc) Adoptions.

- (1) For an adoption.....\$65
- 14 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
 15 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The
 16 term "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning
 17 ascribed to it by the Illinois Department of Children and
 18 Family Services.
- 19 (dd) Adoption exemptions.

No fee other than that set forth in subsection (cc) shall be charged to any person in connection with an adoption proceeding.

(ee) Additional Services.

Beginning July 1, 1993, the clerk of the circuit court may provide such additional services for which there is no fee specified by statute in connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may be requested by the public and agreed to by the public and by the clerk and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any charges for additional services shall be as agreed to between the clerk and the party making the request and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise

- 1 required by law.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 90-466, eff. 8-17-97; 90-796, eff. 12-15-98;
- 3 91-165, eff. 7-16-99; 91-321, eff. 1-1-00; 91-357, eff.
- 4 7-29-99; 91-612, eff. 10-1-99; revised 10-26-99.)
- 5 (705 ILCS 105/27.1a) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.1a)
- 6 Sec. 27.1a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court
- 7 in all counties having a population in excess of 180,000 but
- 8 not more than 650,000 inhabitants in the instances described
- 9 in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. The
- 10 fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:
- 11 (a) Civil Cases.
- The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other
- 13 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following
- exceptions, shall be \$150.
- 15 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
- value of personal property claimed does not exceed
- \$250, \$10.
- 18 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not
- 19 exceed \$500, \$20.
- 20 (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not
- 21 exceed \$2500, \$30.
- 22 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does
- 23 not exceed \$15,000, \$75.
- 24 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150.
- 25 For each additional lot or tract of land or right or
- interest therein subject to be condemned, the
- 27 damages in respect to which shall require separate
- assessment by a jury, \$150.
- (a-1) Family.
- 30 For filing a petition under the Juvenile Court Act
- of 1987, \$25.
- For filing a petition for a marriage license, \$10.
- For performing a marriage in court, \$10.

- For filing a petition under the Illinois Parentage

 Act of 1984, \$40.
- 3 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In each forcible entry and detainer case when the plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, \$40.

When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, \$150.

11 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

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

21 (d) Confession of Judgment.

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

26 (e) Appearance.

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27 The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case 28 shall be \$50, except as follows:

- 29 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and detainer case seeks possession only, \$20.
- 31 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed \$1500, \$20.
- 33 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not exceed \$15,000, \$40.

- 1 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.
- 2 In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,
- and citation petition when the amount does not exceed
- 4 \$1,000, \$10; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not
- 5 exceed \$5,000, \$20; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000,
- 6 \$30.
- 7 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.
- 8 (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment
- 9 or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer
- 10 cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an
- 11 estate, to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or
- order for child or spousal support, or to modify,
- 13 suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed
- before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order,
- 15 \$40.
- 16 (2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment
- or order of court, except a petition to modify,
- 18 terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or
- 19 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, \$60.
- 22 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture,
- 23 \$20.
- 24 (h) Mailing.
- When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be
- \$6, plus the cost of postage.
- 27 (i) Certified Copies.
- 28 Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,
- 29 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer
- 30 cases, \$10.
- 31 (j) Habeas Corpus.
- For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus,
- 33 \$80.
- 34 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.

- 1 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 2 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in 3 writing with the seal of office, \$4.
 - (2) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$50.
 - (3) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$120.
 - (4) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of 20 cents per page.
- 11 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in 12 the clerk's files:
- 13 (A) First page, \$2.
- 14 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.
- 15 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.
- 16 (1) Remands.

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

- 28 (m) Record Search.
- For each record search, within a division or municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a search fee of \$4 for each year searched.
- 32 (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 \$4.
- 2 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

shall be charged 3 No fee for a single 4 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record inquiry when this request is made in person and the 5 records are maintained in a current automated medium, and 6 7 when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to 8 be charged for management records, multiple case records, 9 and multiple journal records may be specified by the Chief Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and 10 11 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme 12 Court.

- 13 (p) Commitment Petitions.
- For filing commitment petitions under the Mental
 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code and for filing
 a transcript of commitment proceedings held in another
 county, \$25.
- 18 (q) Alias Summons.
- 19 For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk, \$4.
- 21 (r) Other Fees.

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22 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by 23 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with 24 the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois 25 Courts.

The clerk of the circuit court may provide additional services for which there is no fee specified by statute in connection with the operation of the clerk's office as may be requested by the public and agreed to by the clerk and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Any charges for additional services shall be as agreed to between the clerk and the party making the request and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be

construed to require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

(s) Jury Services.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to other fees allowed by law, the sum of \$192.50, as a fee for the services of a jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

(t) Voluntary Assignment.

For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, \$10; for recording the same, 25¢ for each 100 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

28 (u) Expungement Petition.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$30 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee of \$2 for each certified copy of an order to expunge arrest records.

33 (v) Probate.

34 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in

1	this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except
2	that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, or
3	release the costs payable under this subsection:
4	(1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
5	(whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person,
6	\$100, plus the fees specified in subsection $(v)(3)$,
7	except:
8	(A) When the value of the real and personal
9	property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be
10	\$25.
11	(B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made,
12	(ii) a domestic or foreign will is admitted to
13	probate without administration (including proof of
14	heirship), or (iii) letters of office are issued for
15	a particular purpose without administration of the
16	estate, the fee shall be \$25.
17	(2) For administration of the estate of a ward,
18	\$50, plus the fees specified in subsection $(v)(3)$,
19	except:
20	(A) When the value of the real and personal
21	property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be
22	\$25.
23	(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a
24	guardian of the person or persons, but not of the
25	estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the
26	estate of a ward without administration of the
27	estate, including filing or joining in the filing of
28	a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting
29	to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be \$10.
30	(3) In addition to the fees payable under
31	subsection $(v)(1)$ or $(v)(2)$ of this Section, the
32	following fees are payable:
33	(A) For each account (other than one final

account) filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward,

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(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, \$10; when the amount claimed is \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, \$25; when the amount claimed is \$10,000 or more, \$40; provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to 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, \$40.
- (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, \$10.
 - (F) For each jury demand, \$102.50.
- (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when there is no other administration of the estate, \$30\$, less any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000\$, the fee, including any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B), shall be \$10\$.
 - (H) For each certified copy of letters of

1	office, of court order or other certification, \$1,
2	plus 50¢ per page in excess of 3 pages for the
3	document certified.
4	(I) For each exemplification, \$1, plus the fee
5	for certification.
6	(4) The executor, administrator, guardian,
7	petitioner, or other interested person or his or her
8	attorney shall pay the cost of publication by the clerk
9	directly to the newspaper.
10	(5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred
11	for witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other
12	miscellaneous fee shall pay the same directly to the
13	person entitled thereto.
14	(6) The executor, administrator, guardian,
15	petitioner, or other interested person or his or her
16	attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges
17	incurred by the clerk in mailing petitions, orders,
18	notices, or other documents pursuant to the provisions of
19	the Probate Act of 1975.
20	(w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.
21	(1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all
22	criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person
23	convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:
24	(A) Felony complaints, \$80.
25	(B) Misdemeanor complaints, \$50.
26	(C) Business offense complaints, \$50.
27	(D) Petty offense complaints, \$50.
28	(E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,
29	\$20.
30	(F) When court appearance required, \$30.
31	(G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders,
32	\$20.
33	(H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders,

1	(I)	Motion	ns to	vacate	ex	parte	judgments,
2	whenever	filed,	\$20.				

- 3 (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,
 4 whenever filed, \$20.
 - (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or
 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of
 State, \$20.
 - (2) In counties having a population in excess of 180,000 but not more than 650,000 inhabitants, when the violation complaint is issued by a municipal police department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from each person convicted therein as follows:
- 13 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, 14 \$10.
- 15 (B) When court appearance required, \$15.
 - (3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of \$62.50 as a fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a jury.
 - (x) Transcripts of Judgment.
- 27 For the filing of a transcript of judgment, the 28 clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as if it were the 29 commencement of a new suit.
- 30 (y) Change of Venue.

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- 31 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change 32 of venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as 33 if it were the commencement of a new suit.
- 34 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification

- of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, when original documents are forwarded, \$25.
- 3 (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, \$25.

- 8 (aa) Tax Deeds.
- 9 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is involved, \$150.
- 11 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of \$50.
- 12 (bb) Collections.

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- 13 (1) For all collections made of others, except the
 14 State and county and except in maintenance or child
 15 support cases, a sum equal to 2.5% of the amount
 16 collected and turned over.
 - (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk shall be turned over to the county general fund as an earning of the office.
 - (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account closed, or payment stopped, \$25.
 - (4) Before July 1, 2002, in child support and maintenance cases, the clerk, if authorized by ordinance of the county board, may collect an annual fee of up to \$36 from the person making payment maintaining child support records and the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and recording of payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child shall be deposited into a Separate support and Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which

the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. If on July 1, 2003 there is any remaining balance in the Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund that is derived from fees paid under this subdivision (bb)(4), the Clerk shall promptly transmit that balance to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

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, if collected before July 1, 2002, shall also be deposited into the separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund. Fees collected under this subdivision (bb)(4) after June 30, 2002 shall be deposited into a separate Family Financial Responsibility Certification Fund, of which the Clerk shall be the custodian, ex officio, to be used by the Clerk to offset the costs associated with making the certifications.

(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, \$15.

- 31 (dd) Exceptions.
- 32 (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 33 apply to police departments or other law enforcement 34 agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency"

1	leans an agency of the State or a unit of loc	cal
2	overnment which is vested by law or ordinance with t	he
3	uty to maintain public order and to enforce crimin	nal
4	aws or ordinances. "Law enforcement agency" also mea	ıns
5	he Attorney General or any state's attorney.	

- (2) No fee provided herein shall be charged to any unit of local government or school district.
- (3) The fee requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous or unsafe building seeking an order compelling the owner or owners of the building to take any of the actions authorized under that subsection.
- 15 (ee) Adoptions.

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- 16 (1) For an adoption.....\$65
- 17 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
 18 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The
 19 term "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning
 20 ascribed to it by the Illinois Department of Children and
 21 Family Services.
- 22 (ff) Adoption exemptions.
- No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)
 shall be charged to any person in connection with an
- adoption proceeding.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 90-466, eff. 8-17-97; 90-796, eff. 12-15-98;
- 27 91-321, eff. 1-1-00; 91-612, eff. 10-1-99; revised 10-15-99.)
- 28 (705 ILCS 105/27.2) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.2)
- Sec. 27.2. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court in all counties having a population in excess of 650,000 inhabitants but less than 3,000,000 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall be as provided in this Section. In addition, the fees provided in this Section

- 1 shall apply to all units of local government and school
- districts in counties with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants.
- 3 The fees shall be paid in advance and shall be as follows:
- 4 (a) Civil Cases.

- The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other pleading initiating a civil action, with the following exceptions, shall be \$150.
- 8 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the 9 value of personal property claimed does not exceed 10 \$250, \$10.
- 11 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not exceed \$500, \$20.
 - (C) When that amount exceeds \$500 but does not exceed \$2500, \$30.
- 15 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does not exceed \$15,000, \$75.
- 17 (E) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$150.

 18 For each additional lot or tract of land or right or

 19 interest therein subject to be condemned, the

 20 damages in respect to which shall require separate

 21 assessment by a jury, \$150.
- 22 (b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.
- In each forcible entry and detainer case when the plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, \$40.

 When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, \$150.
- 30 (c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.
- When any defendant files a counterclaim as part of his or her answer or otherwise or joins another party as a third party defendant, or both, the defendant shall pay a fee for each counterclaim or third party action in an

amount equal to the fee he or she would have had to pay
had he or she brought a separate action for the relief
sought in the counterclaim or against the third party
defendant, less the amount of the appearance fee, if that
has been paid.

(d) Confession of Judgment.

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

11 (e) Appearance.

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- The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case shall be \$50, except as follows:
- 14 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and detainer case seeks possession only; \$20.
- 16 (B) When the amount in the case does not exceed \$1500, \$20.
- 18 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not exceed \$15,000, \$40.
- 20 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.

In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit, and citation petition when the amount does not exceed \$1,000, \$10; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not exceed \$5,000, \$20; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000, \$30.

- (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.
- (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment 27 or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer 28 cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an 29 30 estate, to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or 31 order for child or spousal support, or to modify, suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed 32 before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order, 33 \$40. 34

1	(2) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment
2	or order of court, except a petition to modify,
3	terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or
4	spousal support or to modify, suspend, or terminate an
5	order for withholding, if filed later than 30 days after
6	the entry of the judgment or order, \$60.

- 7 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, 8 \$20.
- 9 (h) Mailing.
- When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be \$6, plus the cost of postage.
- 12 (i) Certified Copies.
- Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,

 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer

 cases, \$10.
- 16 (j) Habeas Corpus.

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- For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus, \$80.
- 19 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.
- 20 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 21 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in 22 writing with the seal of office, \$4.
 - (2) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$50.
 - (3) Court appeals when original documents are forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$120.
- 27 (4) Court appeals when original documents are 28 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of 20 cents 29 per page.
- 30 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the clerk's files:
- 32 (A) First page, \$2.
- 33 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.
- 34 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.

1 (1) Remands.

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

13 (m) Record Search.

14 For each record search, within a division or
15 municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a
16 search fee of \$4 for each year searched.

17 (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 \$4.

21 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.

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

32 (p) Commitment Petitions.

For filing commitment petitions under the Mental
Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, \$25.

- 1 (q) Alias Summons.
- 2 For each alias summons or citation issued by the
- 3 clerk, \$4.

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4 (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.

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

20 (s) Jury Services.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive, in addition to other fees allowed by law, the sum of \$192.50, as a fee for the services of a jury in every civil action not quasi-criminal in its nature and not a proceeding for the exercise of the right of eminent domain and in every other action wherein the right of trial by jury is or may be given by law. The jury fee shall be paid by the party demanding a jury at the time of filing the jury demand. If the fee is not paid by either party, no jury shall be called in the action or proceeding, and the same shall be tried by the court without a jury.

- 32 (t) Voluntary Assignment.
- For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, \$10; for recording the same, 25¢ for each 100 words.

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

11 (u) Expungement Petition.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$30 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee of \$2 for each certified copy of an order to expunge arrest records.

16 (v) Probate.

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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, \$100, 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 \$25.
- (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 \$25.
 - (2) For administration of the estate of a ward,

1	\$50, plus the fees specified in subsection $(v)(3)$,
2	except:
3	(A) When the value of the real and personal
4	property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be
5	\$25.
6	(B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a
7	guardian of the person or persons, but not of the
8	estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the
9	estate of a ward without administration of the
10	estate, including filing or joining in the filing of
11	a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting
12	to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be \$10.
13	(3) In addition to the fees payable under
14	subsection $(v)(1)$ or $(v)(2)$ of this Section, the
15	following fees are payable:
16	(A) For each account (other than one final
17	account) filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward,
18	\$15.
19	(B) For filing a claim in an estate when the
20	amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500,
21	\$10; when the amount claimed is \$500 or more but
22	less than \$10,000, \$25; when the amount claimed is
23	\$10,000 or more, \$40; provided that the court in
24	allowing a claim may add to the amount allowed the
25	filing fee paid by the claimant.
26	(C) For filing in an estate a claim, petition,
27	or supplemental proceeding based upon an action
28	seeking equitable relief including the construction
29	or contest of a will, enforcement of a contract to
30	make a will, and proceedings involving testamentary
31	trusts or the appointment of testamentary trustees,
32	\$40.
33	(D) For filing in an estate (i) the appearance

of any person for the purpose of consent or (ii) the

1	appearance	of	an e	executor,	administrat	or,
2	administrator	to	collect,	guardian	, guardian	ad
3	litem, or spec	cial	administr	ator, no fe	ee.	

- (E) Except as provided in subsection (v)(3)(D), for filing the appearance of any person or persons, \$10.
 - (F) For each jury demand, \$102.50.
- (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when there is no other administration of the estate, \$30\$, less any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000\$, the fee, including any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B), shall be \$10\$.
- (H) For each certified copy of letters of office, of court order or other certification, \$1, plus 50¢ per page in excess of 3 pages for the document certified.
- (I) For each exemplification, \$1, 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 thereto.
- (6) The executor, administrator, guardian, petitioner, or other interested person or his attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges incurred by the clerk in mailing petitions, orders, notices, or other

1	documents pursuant to the provisions of the Probate Act
2	of 1975.
3	(w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.
4	(1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all
5	criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person
6	convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:
7	(A) Felony complaints, \$80.
8	(B) Misdemeanor complaints, \$50.
9	(C) Business offense complaints, \$50.
10	(D) Petty offense complaints, \$50.
11	(E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,
12	\$20.
13	(F) When court appearance required, \$30.
14	(G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders,
15	\$20.
16	(H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders,
17	\$20.
18	(I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments,
19	whenever filed, \$20.
20	(J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,
21	whenever filed, \$20.
22	(K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or
23	"failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of
24	State, \$20.
25	(2) In counties having a population of more than
26	650,000 but fewer than 3,000,000 inhabitants, when the
27	violation complaint is issued by a municipal police
28	department, the clerk shall be entitled to costs from
29	each person convicted therein as follows:
30	(A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,
31	\$10.
32	(B) When court appearance required, \$15.
33	(3) In ordinance violation cases punishable by fine
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1 receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the 2 court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of 3 4 \$50 as a fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his 5 or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by the 6 7 defendant, no jury shall be called, and the case shall be 8 tried by the court without a jury.

9 (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 commencement of new suit.

13 (y) Change of Venue.

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- 14 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change 15 of venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as 16 if it were the commencement of a new suit.
- 17 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification 18 of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction, 19 when original documents are forwarded, \$25.
- 20 (z) Tax objection complaints.

21 For each tax objection complaint containing one or 22 more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels 23 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the 24 complaint, \$25.

- 25 (aa) Tax Deeds.
- 26 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is 27 involved, \$150.
- 28 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of \$50.
- 29 (bb) Collections.
- 30 (1) For all collections made of others, except the 31 State and county and except in maintenance or child 32 support cases, a sum equal to 2.5% of the amount 33 collected and turned over.
- 34 (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk

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- (4) Before July 1, 2002, in child support and cases, the clerk, if authorized by an maintenance ordinance of the county board, may collect an annual fee up to \$36 from the person making payment for maintaining child support records and the processing of support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and the recording of payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. This fee shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support and shall be deposited into a Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record all payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. If on July 1, 2003 there is any remaining balance in the Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund that is derived from fees paid under this subdivision (bb)(4), the Clerk shall promptly transmit that balance to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

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, if collected before July 1, 2002, shall also be deposited into the separate Maintenance and

Child Support Collection Fund. Fees collected under this subdivision (bb)(4) after June 30, 2002 shall be deposited into a separate Family Financial Responsibility

Certification Fund, of which the Clerk shall be the custodian, ex officio, to be used by the Clerk to offset the costs associated with making the certifications.

(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, \$15.

(dd) Exceptions.

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- 30 (1) For an adoption.....\$65
- 31 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the 32 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The 33 term "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning 34 ascribed to it by the Illinois Department of Children and

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- 2 (ff) Adoption exemptions.
- No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee)
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- 9 Sec. 27.2a. The fees of the clerks of the circuit court
- in all counties having a population of 3,000,000 or more
- 11 inhabitants in the instances described in this Section shall
- 12 be as provided in this Section. The fees shall be paid in
- 13 advance and shall be as follows:
- 14 (a) Civil Cases.
- The fee for filing a complaint, petition, or other
- 16 pleading initiating a civil action, with the following
- exceptions, shall be \$190.
- 18 (A) When the amount of money or damages or the
- value of personal property claimed does not exceed
- 20 \$250, \$15.
- 21 (B) When that amount exceeds \$250 but does not
- 22 exceed \$1000, \$40.
- 23 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1000 but does
- 24 not exceed \$2500, \$50.
- 25 (D) When that amount exceeds \$2500 but does
- 26 not exceed \$5000, \$100.
- 27 (E) When that amount exceeds \$5000 but does
- 28 not exceed \$15,000, \$150.
- 29 (F) For the exercise of eminent domain, \$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, \$150.

1 (G) For the final determination of parking, 2 standing, and compliance violations and final 3 administrative decisions issued after hearings 4 regarding vehicle immobilization and impoundment 5 made pursuant to Sections 3-704.1, 6-306.5, and 6 11-208.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, \$25.

(b) Forcible Entry and Detainer.

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In each forcible entry and detainer case when the plaintiff seeks possession only or unites with his or her claim for possession of the property a claim for rent or damages or both in the amount of \$15,000 or less, \$75. When the plaintiff unites his or her claim for possession with a claim for rent or damages or both exceeding \$15,000, \$225.

(c) Counterclaim or Joining Third Party Defendant.

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

25 (d) Confession of Judgment.

In a confession of judgment when the amount does not exceed \$1500, \$60. When the amount exceeds \$1500, but does not exceed \$5000, \$75. When the amount exceeds \$5000, but does not exceed \$15,000, \$175. When the amount exceeds \$15,000, \$250.

31 (e) Appearance.

The fee for filing an appearance in each civil case shall be \$75, except as follows:

34 (A) When the plaintiff in a forcible entry and

- detainer case seeks possession only, \$40.
- 2 (B) When the amount in the case does not
- 3 exceed \$1500, \$40.
- 4 (C) When that amount exceeds \$1500 but does not exceed \$15,000, \$60.
- 6 (f) Garnishment, Wage Deduction, and Citation.
- In garnishment affidavit, wage deduction affidavit,
 and citation petition when the amount does not exceed

 \$1,000, \$15; when the amount exceeds \$1,000 but does not
 exceed \$5,000, \$30; and when the amount exceeds \$5,000,

 \$50.
- 12 (g) Petition to Vacate or Modify.
- (1) Petition to vacate or modify any final judgment 13 or order of court, except in forcible entry and detainer 14 15 cases and small claims cases or a petition to reopen an 16 estate, to modify, terminate, or enforce a judgment or order for child or spousal support, or to modify, 17 suspend, or terminate an order for withholding, if filed 18 19 before 30 days after the entry of the judgment or order, \$50. 20
 - (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, \$75.
- 27 (3) Petition to vacate order of bond forfeiture, 28 \$40.
- 29 (h) Mailing.

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- 30 When the clerk is required to mail, the fee will be \$10, plus the cost of postage.
- 32 (i) Certified Copies.
- Each certified copy of a judgment after the first,

 except in small claims and forcible entry and detainer

- 1 cases, \$15.
- 2 (j) Habeas Corpus.
- 3 For filing a petition for relief by habeas corpus,
- 4 \$125.
- 5 (k) Certification, Authentication, and Reproduction.
- 6 (1) Each certification or authentication for taking 7 the acknowledgment of a deed or other instrument in
- 8 writing with the seal of office, \$6.
- 9 (2) Court appeals when original documents are 10 forwarded, under 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$75.
- 11 (3) Court appeals when original documents are 12 forwarded, over 100 pages, plus delivery and costs, \$150.
- 13 (4) Court appeals when original documents are 14 forwarded, over 200 pages, an additional fee of 25 cents 15 per page.
- 16 (5) For reproduction of any document contained in the clerk's files:
- 18 (A) First page, \$2.
- 19 (B) Next 19 pages, 50 cents per page.
- 20 (C) All remaining pages, 25 cents per page.
- 21 (1) Remands.
- In any cases remanded to the Circuit Court from the 22 23 Supreme Court or the Appellate Court for a new trial, the clerk shall file the remanding order and reinstate the 24 25 case with either its original number or a new number. The Clerk shall not charge any new or additional fee for 26 the reinstatement. Upon reinstatement the Clerk shall 27 advise the parties of the reinstatement. A party shall 28 29 have the same right to a jury trial on remand and 30 reinstatement as he or she had before the appeal, and no additional or new fee or charge shall be made for a jury 31 trial after remand. 32
- 33 (m) Record Search.
- For each record search, within a division or

- 1 municipal district, the clerk shall be entitled to a 2 search fee of \$6 for each year searched.
- 3 (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 \$6.
- 7 (o) Index Inquiry and Other Records.
- 8 No fee shall be charged for 9 plaintiff/defendant index inquiry or single case record inquiry when this request is made in person and the 10 11 records are maintained in a current automated medium, and 12 when no hard copy print output is requested. The fees to be charged for management records, multiple case records, 13 and multiple journal records may be specified by the 14 15 Chief Judge pursuant to the guidelines for access and 16 dissemination of information approved by the Supreme Court. 17
- 18 (p) Commitment Petitions.
- For filing commitment petitions under the Mental
 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code, \$50.
- 21 (q) Alias Summons.
- For each alias summons or citation issued by the clerk, \$5.
- 24 (r) Other Fees.
- 25 Any fees not covered in this Section shall be set by
 26 rule or administrative order of the Circuit Court with
 27 the approval of the Administrative Office of the Illinois
 28 Courts.
- The clerk of the circuit court may provide
 additional services for which there is no fee specified
 by statute in connection with the operation of the
 clerk's office as may be requested by the public and
 agreed to by the clerk and approved by the chief judge of
 the circuit court. Any charges for additional services

shall be as agreed to between the clerk and the party making the request and approved by the chief judge of the circuit court. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require any clerk to provide any service not otherwise required by law.

(s) Jury Services.

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

(t) Voluntary Assignment.

For filing each deed of voluntary assignment, \$20; for recording the same, 50¢ for each 100 words. Exceptions filed to claims presented to an assignee of a debtor who has made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be considered and treated, for the purpose of taxing costs therein, as actions in which the party or parties filing the exceptions shall be considered as party or parties plaintiff, and the claimant or claimants as party or parties defendant, and those parties respectively shall pay to the clerk the same fees as provided by this Section to be paid in other actions.

(u) Expungement Petition.

The clerk shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$60 for each expungement petition filed and an additional fee of \$4 for each certified copy of an order to expunge

- 1 arrest records.
- 2 (v) Probate.
- 3 The clerk is entitled to receive the fees specified in
- 4 this subsection (v), which shall be paid in advance, except
- 5 that, for good cause shown, the court may suspend, reduce, or
- 6 release the costs payable under this subsection:
- 7 (1) For administration of the estate of a decedent
- 8 (whether testate or intestate) or of a missing person,
- 9 \$150, plus the fees specified in subsection (v)(3),
- 10 except:
- 11 (A) When the value of the real and personal
- property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be
- 13 \$40.
- 14 (B) When (i) proof of heirship alone is made,
- 15 (ii) a domestic or foreign will is admitted to
- 16 probate without administration (including proof of
- heirship), or (iii) letters of office are issued for
- 18 a particular purpose without administration of the
- 19 estate, the fee shall be \$40.
- 20 (2) For administration of the estate of a ward,
- \$75, plus the fees specified in subsection (v)(3),
- 22 except:
- (A) When the value of the real and personal
- 24 property does not exceed \$15,000, the fee shall be
- 25 \$40.
- 26 (B) When (i) letters of office are issued to a
- guardian of the person or persons, but not of the
- estate or (ii) letters of office are issued in the
- 29 estate of a ward without administration of the
- 30 estate, including filing or joining in the filing of
- 31 a tax return or releasing a mortgage or consenting
- to the marriage of the ward, the fee shall be \$20.
- 33 (3) In addition to the fees payable under
- 34 subsection (v)(1) or (v)(2) of this Section, the

following	fees	are	payable:
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- (A) For each account (other than one final account) filed in the estate of a decedent, or ward, \$25.
 - (B) For filing a claim in an estate when the amount claimed is \$150 or more but less than \$500, \$20; when the amount claimed is \$500 or more but less than \$10,000, \$40; when the amount claimed is \$10,000 or more, \$60; provided that the court in allowing a claim may add to 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, \$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, \$30.
 - (F) For each jury demand, \$137.50.
 - (G) For disposition of the collection of a judgment or settlement of an action or claim for wrongful death of a decedent or of any cause of action of a ward, when there is no other administration of the estate, \$50\$, less any amount paid under subsection (v)(1)(B) or (v)(2)(B) except that if the amount involved does not exceed \$5,000\$,

1	the fee, including any amount paid under subsection
2	(v)(1)(B) or $(v)(2)(B)$, shall be \$20.
3	(H) For each certified copy of letters of
4	office, of court order or other certification, \$2,
5	plus \$1 per page in excess of 3 pages for the
6	document certified.
7	(I) For each exemplification, \$2, plus the fee
8	for certification.
9	(4) The executor, administrator, guardian,
10	petitioner, or other interested person or his or her
11	attorney shall pay the cost of publication by the clerk
12	directly to the newspaper.
13	(5) The person on whose behalf a charge is incurred
14	for witness, court reporter, appraiser, or other
15	miscellaneous fee shall pay the same directly to the
16	person entitled thereto.
17	(6) The executor, administrator, guardian,
18	petitioner, or other interested person or his or her
19	attorney shall pay to the clerk all postage charges
20	incurred by the clerk in mailing petitions, orders,
21	notices, or other documents pursuant to the provisions of
22	the Probate Act of 1975.
23	(w) Criminal and Quasi-Criminal Costs and Fees.
24	(1) The clerk shall be entitled to costs in all
25	criminal and quasi-criminal cases from each person
26	convicted or sentenced to supervision therein as follows:
27	(A) Felony complaints, \$125.
28	(B) Misdemeanor complaints, \$75.
29	(C) Business offense complaints, \$75.
30	(D) Petty offense complaints, \$75.
31	(E) Minor traffic or ordinance violations,
32	\$30.
33	(F) When court appearance required, \$50.
34	(G) Motions to vacate or amend final orders,

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- 2 (H) Motions to vacate bond forfeiture orders, 3 \$30.
- 4 (I) Motions to vacate ex parte judgments, 5 whenever filed, \$30.
- (J) Motions to vacate judgment on forfeitures,whenever filed, \$25.
- 8 (K) Motions to vacate "failure to appear" or
 9 "failure to comply" notices sent to the Secretary of
 10 State, \$40.
- 11 (2) In counties having a population of 3,000,000 or
 12 more, when the violation complaint is issued by a
 13 municipal police department, the clerk shall be entitled
 14 to costs from each person convicted therein as follows:
- 15 (A) Minor traffic or ordinance violations, 16 \$30.
 - (B) When court appearance required, \$50.
 - only, the clerk of the circuit court shall be entitled to receive, unless the fee is excused upon a finding by the court that the defendant is indigent, in addition to other fees or costs allowed or imposed by law, the sum of \$112.50 as a fee for the services of a jury. The jury fee shall be paid by the defendant at the time of filing his or her jury demand. If the fee is not so paid by the defendant, no jury shall be called, and the case shall be tried by the court without a jury.
- 28 (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 commencement of a new suit.
- 32 (y) Change of Venue.
- 33 (1) For the filing of a change of case on a change 34 of venue, the clerk shall be entitled to the same fee as

- if it were the commencement of a new suit.
- 2 (2) The fee for the preparation and certification
- of a record on a change of venue to another jurisdiction,
- 4 when original documents are forwarded, \$40.
- 5 (z) Tax objection complaints.
- 6 For each tax objection complaint containing one or
- 7 more tax objections, regardless of the number of parcels
- 8 involved or the number of taxpayers joining in the
- 9 complaint, \$50.
- 10 (aa) Tax Deeds.
- 11 (1) Petition for tax deed, if only one parcel is
- 12 involved, \$250.
- 13 (2) For each additional parcel, add a fee of \$100.
- 14 (bb) Collections.
- 15 (1) For all collections made of others, except the
- 16 State and county and except in maintenance or child
- 17 support cases, a sum equal to 3.0% of the amount
- 18 collected and turned over.
- 19 (2) Interest earned on any funds held by the clerk
- shall be turned over to the county general fund as an
- 21 earning of the office.
- 22 (3) For any check, draft, or other bank instrument
- 23 returned to the clerk for non-sufficient funds, account
- closed, or payment stopped, \$25.
- 25 (4) <u>Before July 1, 2002,</u> in child support and
- 26 maintenance cases, the clerk, if authorized by a
- ordinance of the county board, may collect an annual fee
- of up to \$36 from the person making payment for
- 29 maintaining child support records and the processing of
- 30 support orders to the State of Illinois KIDS system and
- 31 the recording of payments issued by the State
- 32 Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court.
- This fee shall be in addition to and separate from
- 34 amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child

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support and shall be deposited into a Separate Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund, of which the clerk shall be the custodian, ex-officio, to be used by the clerk to maintain child support orders and record payments issued by the State Disbursement Unit for the official record of the Court. The clerk may recover from the person making the maintenance or child support payment any additional cost incurred in the collection of this annual fee. If on July 1, 2003 there is any remaining balance in the Maintenance and Child Support Collection Fund that is derived from fees paid under this subdivision (bb)(4), the Clerk shall promptly transmit that balance to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

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. Fees collected under this subdivision (bb)(4) after June 30, 2002 shall be deposited into a separate Family Financial Responsibility Certification Fund, of which the Clerk shall be the custodian, ex officio, to be used by the Clerk to offset the costs associated with making the certifications.

(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, \$25.

- 32 (dd) Exceptions.
- 33 (1) The fee requirements of this Section shall not 34 apply to police departments or other law enforcement

- agencies. In this Section, "law enforcement agency"
 means an agency of the State or a unit of local
 government which is vested by law or ordinance with the
 duty to maintain public order and to enforce criminal
 laws or ordinances. "Law enforcement agency" also means
 the Attorney General or any state's attorney.
- 7 No fee provided herein shall be charged to any 8 unit of local government or school district. The fee 9 requirements of this Section shall not apply to any action instituted under subsection (b) of Section 11-31-1 10 of the Illinois Municipal Code by a private owner or 11 tenant of real property within 1200 feet of a dangerous 12 or unsafe building seeking an order compelling the owner 13 or owners of the building to take any of the actions 14 authorized under that subsection. 15
- 16 (ee) Adoption.
- 17 (1) For an adoption.....\$65
- 18 (2) Upon good cause shown, the court may waive the
 19 adoption filing fee in a special needs adoption. The
 20 term "special needs adoption" shall have the meaning
 21 ascribed to it by the Illinois Department of Children and
 22 Family Services.
- 23 (ff) Adoption exemptions.
- No fee other than that set forth in subsection (ee) shall be charged to any person in connection with an
- adoption proceeding.
- 27 (Source: P.A. 90-466, eff. 8-17-97; 90-796, eff. 12-15-98;
- 28 91-321, eff. 1-1-00; 91-612, eff. 10-1-99; 91-821, eff.
- 29 6-13-00.)
- 30 (705 ILCS 105/27.10 new)
- 31 <u>Sec. 27.10. Transfer of maintenance and support</u>
- 32 <u>collection functions to State Disbursement Unit.</u>
- 33 (a) On July 1, 2002, the rights, powers, duties, and

- 1 <u>functions of the clerks of the circuit court relating to the</u>
- 2 <u>collection</u> and <u>disbursement</u> of <u>maintenance</u> and <u>support</u>
- 3 payments are transferred to the State Disbursement Unit
- 4 <u>established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid</u>
- 5 Code as provided in this amendatory Act of the 92nd General
- 6 Assembly.
- 7 (b) If a clerk of the circuit court has received a
- 8 <u>maintenance or support payment before July 1, 2002 and has</u>
- 9 not disbursed the payment in accordance with law or an order
- 10 of the court before that date, the clerk shall promptly
- 11 transmit the payment to the State Disbursement Unit for
- disbursement as required by law or an order of the court.
- 13 (c) After June 30, 2002, if a clerk of the circuit court
- 14 receives a maintenance or support payment that should have
- 15 been paid to the State Disbursement Unit according to the
- 16 provisions of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General
- 17 Assembly, the clerk shall promptly transmit the payment to
- 18 <u>the State Disbursement Unit.</u>
- 19 (d) As soon as practicable after July 1, 2002, each
- 20 <u>clerk of the circuit court shall deliver to the State</u>
- 21 <u>Disbursement Unit all of the records in the clerk's</u>
- 22 possession relating to the clerk's collection and
- disbursement of maintenance and support payments.
- 24 Section 15. The Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is
- amended by changing Section 112A-14 as follows:
- 26 (725 ILCS 5/112A-14) (from Ch. 38, par. 112A-14)
- Sec. 112A-14. Order of protection; remedies.
- 28 (a) Issuance of order. If the court finds that
- 29 petitioner has been abused by a family or household member,
- 30 as defined in this Article, an order of protection
- 31 prohibiting such abuse shall issue; provided that petitioner
- 32 must also satisfy the requirements of one of the following

- 1 Sections, as appropriate: Section 112A-17 on emergency
- orders, Section 112A-18 on interim orders, or Section 112A-19
- 3 on plenary orders. Petitioner shall not be denied an order
- 4 of protection because petitioner or respondent is a minor.
- 5 The court, when determining whether or not to issue an order
- of protection, shall not require physical manifestations of
- 7 abuse on the person of the victim. Modification and
- 8 extension of prior orders of protection shall be in
- 9 accordance with this Article.
- 10 (b) Remedies and standards. The remedies to be included
- in an order of protection shall be determined in accordance
- 12 with this Section and one of the following Sections, as
- 13 appropriate: Section 112A-17 on emergency orders, Section
- 14 112A-18 on interim orders, and Section 112A-19 on plenary
- orders. The remedies listed in this subsection shall be in
- 16 addition to other civil or criminal remedies available to
- 17 petitioner.
- 18 (1) Prohibition of abuse. Prohibit respondent's
- 19 harassment, interference with personal liberty,
- intimidation of a dependent, physical abuse or willful
- 21 deprivation, as defined in this Article, if such abuse
- has occurred or otherwise appears likely to occur if not
- 23 prohibited.
- 24 (2) Grant of exclusive possession of residence.
- 25 Prohibit respondent from entering or remaining in any
- 26 residence or household of the petitioner, including one
- owned or leased by respondent, if petitioner has a right
- 28 to occupancy thereof. The grant of exclusive possession
- of the residence shall not affect title to real property,
- nor shall the court be limited by the standard set forth
- in Section 701 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution
- of Marriage Act.
- 33 (A) Right to occupancy. A party has a right
- 34 to occupancy of a residence or household if it is

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solely or jointly owned or leased by that party, that party's spouse, a person with a legal duty to support that party or a minor child in that party's care, or by any person or entity other than the opposing party that authorizes that party's occupancy (e.g., a domestic violence shelter). Standards set forth in subparagraph (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 the risk of abuse (should petitioner remain at the residence or household) or from loss possession of the residence or household (should petitioner leave to avoid the risk of abuse). determining the balance of hardships, the court shall also take into account the accessibility of the residence or household. Hardships need not be balanced if respondent does not have a right to occupancy.

The balance of hardships is presumed to favor possession by petitioner unless the presumption is rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence, showing that the hardships to respondent substantially outweigh the hardships to petitioner and any minor child or dependent adult in petitioner's care. The court, on the request of petitioner or on its own motion, may order respondent to provide suitable, accessible, alternate housing for petitioner instead

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of excluding respondent from a mutual residence or household.

Order respondent to stay away from petitioner or any other person protected by the order of protection, or prohibit respondent from entering or remaining present at petitioner's school, place of employment, or other 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.

Ιf an order of protection grants petitioner exclusive possession of the residence, or prohibits respondent from entering the residence, or respondent to stay away from petitioner or other protected persons, then the court may allow respondent access to the residence to remove items of clothing and personal adornment used exclusively by respondent, medications, and other items as the court directs. The right to access shall be exercised on only one occasion as the court directs and in the presence of agreed-upon adult third party or law enforcement officer.

- Require (4) Counseling. or recommend respondent to undergo counseling for a specified duration with social worker, psychologist, clinical а psychologist, psychiatrist, family service agency, alcohol or substance abuse program, mental health center guidance counselor, agency providing services to elders, program designed for domestic violence abusers or any other guidance service the court deems appropriate.
- (5) Physical care and possession of the minor child. In order to protect the minor child from abuse, neglect, or unwarranted separation from the person who

has been the minor child's primary caretaker, or to otherwise protect the well-being of the minor child, the court may do either or both of the following: (i) grant petitioner physical care or possession of the minor child, or both, or (ii) order respondent to return a minor child to, or not remove a minor child from, the physical care of a parent or person 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.

(6) Temporary legal custody. Award temporary legal custody to petitioner in accordance with this Section, the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, and this State's Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction 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.

(7) Visitation. Determine the visitation rights, if any, of respondent in any case in which the court awards physical care or temporary legal custody of a minor child to petitioner. The court shall restrict or deny respondent's visitation with a minor child if the court finds that respondent has done or is likely to do any of the following: (i) abuse or endanger the minor child during visitation; (ii) use the visitation as an opportunity to abuse or harass petitioner or petitioner's family or household members; (iii) improperly conceal or detain the minor child; or (iv) otherwise act in a manner that is not in the best interests of the minor child.

The court shall not be limited by the standards set forth in Section 607.1 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. If the court grants visitation, the order shall specify dates and times for the visitation to take place or other specific parameters or conditions that are appropriate. No order for visitation shall refer merely to the term "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.

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) Removal or concealment of minor child. Prohibit respondent from removing a minor child from the State or 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

1	respondent to promptly make it available to petitioner,
2	if:
3	(i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns the
4	property; or
5	(ii) the parties own the property jointly;
6	sharing it would risk abuse of petitioner by
7	respondent or is impracticable; and the balance of
8	hardships favors temporary possession by petitioner.
9	If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the
10	property is that it is marital property, the court may
11	award petitioner temporary possession thereof under the
12	standards of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph only if
13	a proper proceeding has been filed under the Illinois
14	Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or
15	hereafter amended.
16	No order under this provision shall affect title to
17	property.
18	(11) Protection of property. Forbid the respondent
19	from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing,
20	damaging or otherwise disposing of any real or personal
21	property, except as explicitly authorized by the court,
22	if:
23	(i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns the
24	property; or
25	(ii) the parties own the property jointly, and
26	the balance of hardships favors granting this
27	remedy.
28	If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the
29	property is that it is marital property, the court may
30	grant petitioner relief under subparagraph (ii) of this
31	paragraph only if a proper proceeding has been filed
32	under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage
33	Act, as now or hereafter amended.
34	The court may further prohibit respondent from

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improperly using the financial or other resources of an aged member of the family or household for the profit or advantage of respondent or of any other person.

- (12) Order for payment of support. Order respondent to pay temporary support for the petitioner or 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 (before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002) 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.
- (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.
 - (i) Losses affecting family needs. If a party is entitled to seek maintenance, child support or property distribution from the other party under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or hereafter amended, the court may order respondent to reimburse petitioner's actual losses,

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to the extent that such reimbursement would be "appropriate temporary relief", as authorized by subsection (a)(3) of Section 501 of that Act.

- (ii) Recovery of expenses. In the case of an improper concealment or removal of a minor child, the court may order respondent to pay the reasonable expenses incurred or to be incurred in the search for and recovery of the minor child, including but not limited to legal fees, court costs, private 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.
- (14.5) Prohibition of firearm possession. (a) When a complaint is made under a request for an order of protection, that the respondent has threatened or is likely to use firearms illegally against the petitioner, and the respondent is present in court, or has failed to appear after receiving actual notice, the court shall examine on oath the petitioner, and any witnesses who may be produced. If the court is satisfied that there is any danger of the illegal use of firearms, it shall include in the order of protection the requirement that any firearms in the possession of the respondent, except as provided in subsection (b), be turned over to the local enforcement agency for safekeeping. Ιf the respondent fails to appear, or refuses or fails to surrender his or her firearms, the court shall issue a warrant for seizure of any firearm in the possession of the respondent. The period of safekeeping shall be for a stated period of time not to exceed 2 years. The firearm

or firearms shall be returned to the respondent at the end of the stated period or at expiration of the order of protection, whichever is sooner. (b) If the respondent is a peace officer as defined in Section 2-13 of the Criminal Code of 1961, the court shall order that any firearms used by the respondent in the performance of his or her duties as a peace officer be surrendered to the chief law enforcement executive of the agency in which the respondent is employed, who shall retain the firearms for safekeeping for the stated period not to exceed 2 years as set forth in the court order.

- of protection prohibits respondent from having contact with the minor child, or if petitioner's address is omitted under subsection (b) of Section 112A-5, 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 attempting to inspect or obtain, school or any other records of the minor child who is in the care of petitioner.
- (16) Order for payment of shelter services. Order respondent to reimburse a shelter providing temporary housing and counseling services to the petitioner for the cost of the services, as certified by the shelter and deemed reasonable by the court.
- (17) Order for injunctive relief. Enter injunctive relief necessary or appropriate to prevent further abuse of a family or household member or to effectuate one of the granted remedies, if supported by the balance of hardships. If the harm to be prevented by the injunction is abuse or any other harm that one of the remedies listed in paragraphs (1) through (16) of this subsection is designed to prevent, no further evidence is necessary

1	to establish that the harm is an irreparable injury.
2	(c) Relevant factors; findings.
3	(1) In determining whether to grant a specific
4	remedy, other than payment of support, the court shall
5	consider relevant factors, including but not limited to
6	the following:
7	(i) the nature, frequency, severity, pattern
8	and consequences of the respondent's past abuse of
9	the petitioner or any family or household member,
10	including the concealment of his or her location in
11	order to evade service of process or notice, and the
12	likelihood of danger of future abuse to petitioner
13	or any member of petitioner's or respondent's family
14	or household; and
15	(ii) the danger that any minor child will be
16	abused or neglected or improperly removed from the
17	jurisdiction, improperly concealed within the State
18	or improperly separated from the child's primary
19	caretaker.
20	(2) In comparing relative hardships resulting to
21	the parties from loss of possession of the family home,
22	the court shall consider relevant factors, including but
23	not limited to the following:
24	(i) availability, accessibility, cost, safety,
25	adequacy, location and other characteristics of
26	alternate housing for each party and any minor child
27	or dependent adult in the party's care;
28	(ii) the effect on the party's employment; and
29	(iii) the effect on the relationship of the
30	party, and any minor child or dependent adult in the
31	party's care, to family, school, church and
32	community.
33	(3) Subject to the exceptions set forth in

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- (i) That the court has considered the applicable relevant factors described in paragraphs(1) and (2) of this subsection.
- (ii) Whether the conduct or actions of respondent, unless prohibited, will likely cause irreparable harm or continued abuse.
- (iii) Whether it is necessary to grant the requested relief in order to protect petitioner or other alleged abused persons.
- (4) For purposes of issuing an exparte 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:

When a verified petition for an emergency order of protection in accordance with the requirements of Sections 112A-5 and 112A-17 is presented to the court, the court shall examine petitioner on oath or affirmation. An emergency order of protection shall be issued by the court if it appears from the contents of the petition and the examination of petitioner that the averments are sufficient to indicate abuse by respondent and to support the granting of relief under the issuance of the emergency 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. 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.

- (d) Balance of hardships; findings. If the court finds 3 4 that the balance of hardships does not support the granting of a remedy governed by paragraph (2), (3), (10), (11), or 5 (16) of subsection (b) of this Section, which may require 6 7 such balancing, the court's findings shall so indicate and 8 shall include a finding as to whether granting the remedy will result in hardship to respondent 9 that substantially outweigh the hardship to petitioner from denial 10 of the remedy. The findings shall be an official record or 11 12 in writing.
- 13 (e) Denial of remedies. Denial of any remedy shall not 14 be based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:
- 15 (1) Respondent has cause for any use of force,
 16 unless that cause satisfies the standards for justifiable
 17 use of force provided by Article VII of the Criminal Code
 18 of 1961;
 - (2) Respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;
- 20 (3) Petitioner acted in self-defense or defense of 21 another, provided that, if petitioner utilized force, 22 such force was justifiable under Article VII of the 23 Criminal Code of 1961;
- 24 (4) Petitioner did not act in self-defense or defense of another;
 - (5) Petitioner left the residence or household to avoid further abuse by respondent;
 - (6) Petitioner did not leave the residence or household to avoid further abuse by respondent;
- 30 (7) Conduct by any family or household member 31 excused the abuse by respondent, unless that same conduct 32 would have excused such abuse if the parties had not been 33 family or household members.
- 34 (Source: P.A. 89-367, eff. 1-1-96.)

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- Section 20. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by
- 2 changing Sections 12-101, 12-183, and 12-710 as follows:
- 3 (735 ILCS 5/12-101) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-101)
- 4 Sec. 12-101. Lien of judgment. With respect to the
- 5 creation of liens on real estate by judgments, all real
- 6 estate in the State of Illinois is divided into 2 classes.
- 7 The first class consists of all real property, the title
- 8 to which is registered under "An Act concerning land titles",
- 9 approved May 1, 1897, as amended.
- 10 The second class consists of all real property not
- 11 registered under "An Act concerning land titles".
- 12 As to real estate in class one, a judgment is a lien on
- 13 the real estate of the person against whom it is entered for
- 14 the same period as in class two, when Section 85 of "An Act
- concerning land titles", has been complied with.
- 16 As to real estate included within class two, a judgment
- is a lien on the real estate of the person against whom it is
- 18 entered in any county in this State, including the county in
- 19 which it is entered, only from the time a transcript,
- 20 certified copy or memorandum of the judgment is filed in the
- office of the recorder in the county in which the real estate
- 22 is located. A judgment resulting from the entry of an order
- 23 requiring child support payments shall be a lien upon the
- 24 real estate of the person obligated to make the child support
- 25 payments, but shall not be enforceable in any county of this
- 26 State until a transcript, certified copy, or memorandum of
- 27 the lien is filed in the office of the recorder in the county
- in which the real estate is located. Any lien hereunder
- 29 arising out of an order for support shall be a lien only as
- 30 to and from the time that an installment or payment is due
- 31 under the terms of the order. Further, the order for support
- 32 shall not be a lien on real estate to the extent of payments
- 33 made as evidenced by the records of the Clerk of the Circuit

- 1 Court, the State Disbursement Unit established under Section
- 2 <u>10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code</u>, or <u>the</u> State agency
- 3 receiving payments pursuant to the order. In the event
- 4 payments made pursuant to that order are not paid to the
- 5 Clerk of the Circuit Court, the State Disbursement Unit, or a
- 6 State agency, then each lien imposed by this Section may be
- 7 released in the following manner:
- 8 (a) A Notice of Filing and an affidavit stating
- 9 that all installments of child support required to be
- 10 paid pursuant to the order under which the lien or liens
- 11 were imposed have been paid shall be filed with the
- office of recorder in each county in which each such lien
- appears of record, together with proof of service of such
- 14 notice and affidavit upon the recipient of such payments.
- 15 (b) Service of such affidavit shall be by any means
- authorized under Sections 2-203 and 2-208 of the Code of
- 17 Civil Procedure or under Supreme Court Rules 11 or
- 18 105(b).
- 19 (c) The Notice of Filing shall set forth the name
- and address of the judgment debtor and the judgment
- creditor, the court file number of the order giving rise
- 22 to the judgment and, in capital letters, the following
- 23 statement:
- 24 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON (insert date) THE
- 25 ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF
- 26 COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WHOSE ADDRESS IS, ILLINOIS.
- 27 IF, WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, YOU FAIL TO
- 28 FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OBJECTING TO THE RELEASE OF THE STATED
- 29 JUDGMENT LIEN OR LIENS, IN THE ABOVE OFFICE, SUCH JUDGMENT
- 30 LIEN WILL BE DEEMED TO BE RELEASED AND NO LONGER SUBJECT TO
- 31 FORECLOSURE. THIS RELEASE OF LIEN WILL NOT ACT AS A
- 32 SATISFACTION OF SUCH JUDGMENT.
- 33 (d) If no affidavit objecting to the release of the
- lien or liens is filed within 28 days of the Notice

- described in paragraph (c) of this Section such lien or
- liens shall be deemed to be released and no longer
- 3 subject to foreclosure.
- A judgment is not a lien on real estate for longer than 7
- 5 years from the time it is entered or revived.
- 6 When a judgment is revived it is a lien on the real
- 7 estate of the person against whom it was entered in any
- 8 county in this State from the time a transcript, certified
- 9 copy or memorandum of the order of revival is filed in the
- office of the recorder in the county in which the real estate
- 11 is located.
- 12 A foreign judgment registered pursuant to Sections 12-601
- through 12-618 of this Act is a lien upon the real estate of
- 14 the person against whom it was entered only from the time (1)
- a certified copy of the verified petition for registration of
- 16 the foreign judgment or (2) a transcript, certified copy or
- 17 memorandum of the final judgment of the court of this State
- 18 entered on that foreign judgment is filed in the office of
- 19 the recorder in the county in which the real estate is
- 20 located. However, no such judgment shall be a lien on any
- 21 real estate registered under "An Act concerning land titles",
- 22 as amended, until Section 85 of that Act has been complied
- 23 with.
- 24 The release of any transcript, certified copy or
- 25 memorandum of judgment or order of revival which has been
- 26 recorded shall be filed by the person receiving the release
- in the office of the recorder in which such judgment or order
- has been recorded.
- 29 Such release shall contain in legible letters a statement
- 30 as follows:
- FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE OWNER, THIS RELEASE SHALL BE
- 32 FILED WITH THE RECORDER OR THE REGISTRAR OF TITLES
- 33 IN WHOSE OFFICE THE LIEN WAS FILED.
- The term "memorandum" as used in this Section means a

- 1 memorandum or copy of the judgment signed by a judge or a
- 2 copy attested by the clerk of the court entering it and
- 3 showing the court in which entered, date, amount, number of
- 4 the case in which it was entered, name of the party in whose
- 5 favor and name and last known address of the party against
- 6 whom entered. If the address of the party against whom the
- 7 judgment was entered is not known, the memorandum or copy of
- 8 judgment shall so state.
- 9 The term "memorandum" as used in this Section also means
- 10 a memorandum or copy of a child support order signed by a
- judge or a copy attested by the clerk of the court entering
- it or a copy attested by the administrative body entering it.
- 13 This Section shall not be construed as showing an
- 14 intention of the legislature to create a new classification
- of real estate, but shall be construed as showing an
- 16 intention of the legislature to continue a classification
- 17 already existing.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)
- 19 (735 ILCS 5/12-183) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-183)
- 20 Sec. 12-183. Release of judgment.
- 21 (a) Every judgment creditor, his or her assignee of
- 22 record or other legal representative having received full
- 23 satisfaction or payment of all such sums of money as are
- 24 really due to him or her from the judgment debtor on any
- 25 judgment rendered in a court shall, at the request of the
- 26 judgment debtor or his or her legal representative, execute
- 27 and deliver to the judgment debtor or his or her legal
- 28 representative an instrument in writing releasing such
- 29 judgment.
- 30 (b) If the judgment creditor, his or her assigns of
- 31 record or other legal representative to whom tender has been
- 32 made of all sums of money due him or her from the judgment
- 33 debtor including interest, on any judgment entered by a

- 1 court, wilfully fails or refuses, at the request of the 2 judgment debtor or his or her legal representative to execute
- 3 and deliver to the judgment debtor or his or her legal
- 4 representative an instrument in writing releasing such
- 5 judgment, the judgment debtor may petition the court in which
- 6 such judgment is of record, making tender therewith to the
- 7 court of all sums due in principal and interest on such
- 8 judgment, for the use of the judgment creditor, his or her
- 9 executors, administrators or assigns, whereupon the court
- 10 shall enter an order satisfying the judgment and releasing
- 11 all liens based on such judgment.
- 12 (c) For the recording of assignment of any judgment the
- 13 clerk of the court in which such judgment is of record is
- 14 allowed a fee of \$2.
- 15 (d) A satisfaction of a judgment may be delivered to the
- judgment debtor, his or her attorney or to the clerk of the
- 17 court in which such judgment is of record.
- 18 (e) The clerk shall not be allowed any fee for recording
- 19 the satisfaction of judgment. The clerk of the court shall
- 20 make appropriate notation on the judgment docket of the book
- 21 and page where any release or assignment of any judgment is
- 22 recorded.
- 23 (f) No judgment shall be released of record except by an
- instrument in writing recorded in the court in which such
- 25 judgment is of record. However, nothing contained in this
- 26 Section affects in any manner the validity of any release of
- judgment made, prior to January 1, 1952, in judgment and
- 28 execution dockets by the judgment creditor, his or her
- 29 attorney, assignee or other legal representative.
- 30 (g) The writ of audita querela is abolished and all
- 31 relief heretofore obtainable and grounds for such relief
- 32 heretofore available, whether by the writ of audita querela
- or otherwise, shall be available in every case by petition
- 34 hereunder, regardless of the nature of the order or judgment

shall be notified as provided by rule.

- from which relief is sought or of the proceeding in which it was entered. There shall be no distinction between actions and other proceedings, statutory or otherwise, availability of relief, grounds for relief or relief obtainable. The petition shall be filed in the proceeding in which the order or judgment was entered and shall be supported by affidavit or other appropriate showing as to matters not of record. All parties to the petition
 - (h) Upon the filing of a release or satisfaction in full satisfaction of judgment, signed by the party in whose favor the judgment was entered or his or her attorney, the court shall vacate the judgment, and dismiss the action.
 - (i) Any judgment arising out of an order for support shall not be a judgment to the extent of payments made as evidenced by the records of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, or the State agency receiving payments pursuant to the order. In the event payments made pursuant to that order are not paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the State Disbursement Unit, or a State agency, then any judgment arising out of each order for support may be released in the following manner:
 - (1) A Notice of Filing and an affidavit stating that all installments of child support required to be paid pursuant to the order under which the judgment or judgments were entered have been paid shall be filed with the office of the court or agency entering said order for support, together with proof of service of such notice and affidavit upon the recipient of such payments.
 - (2) Service of such affidavit shall be by any means authorized under Sections 2-203 and 2-208 of the Code of Civil Procedure or under Supreme Court Rules 11 or 105(b).

1 (3) The Notice of Filing shall set forth the name 2 and address of the judgment debtor and the judgment 3 creditor, the court file number of the order giving rise 4 to the judgment and, in capital letters, the following 5 statement:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ON (insert date) THE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WHOSE ADDRESS IS, ILLINOIS. IF, WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, YOU FAIL TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OBJECTING TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE STATED JUDGMENT OR JUDGMENTS IN THE ABOVE OFFICE, THE SAID JUDGMENTS WILL BE DEEMED TO BE SATISFIED AND NOT ENFORCEABLE. THE SATISFACTION WILL NOT PREVENT YOU FROM ENFORCING THE ORDER FOR SUPPORT THROUGH THE COURT.

- (4) If no affidavit objecting to the satisfaction of the judgment or judgments is filed within 28 days of the Notice described in paragraph (3) of this subsection (i), such judgment or judgments shall be deemed to be satisfied and not enforceable.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

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- 22 (735 ILCS 5/12-710) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-710)
- Sec. 12-710. Adverse claims; Trial.
- 24 In the event any indebtedness or other property due 25 from or in the possession of a garnishee is claimed by any other person, the court shall permit the claimant to appear 26 and maintain his or her claim. A claimant not voluntarily 27 appearing shall be served with notice as the court shall 28 29 direct. If a claimant fails to appear after being served with notice in the manner directed, he or she shall be 30 concluded by the judgment entered in the garnishment 31 proceeding. 32
- 33 (b) If the adverse claimant appears and, within the time

- 1 the court allows, files his or her claim and serves a copy
- 2 thereof upon the judgment creditor, the judgment debtor, and
- 3 the garnishee, he or she is then a party to the garnishment
- 4 proceeding; and his or her claim shall be tried and
- 5 determined with the other issues in the garnishment action.
- 6 Upon certification by the Illinois Department of Public Aid
- 7 that a person who is receiving support payments under this
- 8 Section is a public aid recipient, any support payments
- 9 subsequently received by the clerk of the court or the State
- 10 <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the</u>
- 11 <u>Illinois Public Aid Code</u> shall be transmitted to the Illinois
- 12 Department of Public Aid until the Department gives notice to
- 13 cease such transmittal. If the adverse claimant is entitled
- 14 to all or part of the indebtedness or other property, the
- 15 court shall enter judgment in accordance with the interests
- of the parties.
- 17 (c) Claims for the support of a spouse or dependent
- 18 children shall be superior to all other claims for
- 19 garnishment of property.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 87-1252.)
- 21 Section 25. The Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of
- 22 Marriage Act is amended by changing Sections 504, 505, 505.3,
- 23 507, 511, 516, 705, 709, 710, 712, and 713 as follows:
- 24 (750 ILCS 5/504) (from Ch. 40, par. 504)
- Sec. 504. Maintenance.
- 26 (a) In a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or legal
- 27 separation or declaration of invalidity of marriage, or a
- 28 proceeding for maintenance following dissolution of the
- 29 marriage by a court which lacked personal jurisdiction over
- 30 the absent spouse, the court may grant a temporary or
- 31 permanent maintenance award for either spouse in amounts and
- 32 for periods of time as the court deems just, without regard

- 1 to marital misconduct, in gross or for fixed or indefinite
- 2 periods of time, and the maintenance may be paid from the
- 3 income or property of the other spouse after consideration of
- 4 all relevant factors, including:

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- 5 (1) the income and property of each party, 6 including marital property apportioned and non-marital
- 7 property assigned to the party seeking maintenance;
 - (2) the needs of each party;
- 9 (3) the present and future earning capacity of each party;
 - (4) any impairment of the present and future earning capacity of the party seeking maintenance due to that party devoting time to domestic duties or having forgone or delayed education, training, employment, or career opportunities due to the marriage;
 - (5) the time necessary to enable the party seeking maintenance to acquire appropriate education, training, and employment, and whether that party is able to support himself or herself through appropriate employment or is the custodian of a child making it appropriate that the custodian not seek employment;
 - (6) the standard of living established during the marriage;
 - (7) the duration of the marriage;
 - (8) the age and the physical and emotional condition of both parties;
 - (9) the tax consequences of the property division upon the respective economic circumstances of the parties;
 - (10) contributions and services by the party seeking maintenance to the education, training, career or career potential, or license of the other spouse;
 - (11) any valid agreement of the parties; and
- 34 (12) any other factor that the court expressly

- 1 finds to be just and equitable.
- 2 (b) (Blank).
- The court may grant and enforce the payment of 3
- 4 maintenance during the pendency of an appeal as the court
- 5 shall deem reasonable and proper.
- (d) No maintenance shall accrue during the period in 6
- 7 which a party is imprisoned for failure to comply with the
- court's order for the payment of such maintenance. 8
- 9 When maintenance is to be paid through the clerk of
- the court in a county of 1,000,000 inhabitants or less, the 10
- 11 order shall direct the obligor to pay to the clerk, in
- addition to the maintenance payments, all fees imposed by the 12
- county board under paragraph (3) of subsection (u) of Section 13
- 27.1 of the Clerks of Courts Act. Unless paid in cash or 14
- 15 pursuant to an order for withholding, the payment of the fee
- 16 shall be by a separate instrument from the support payment
- and shall be made to the order of the Clerk. 17
- This subsection (e) is inoperative after June 30, 2002. 18
- 19 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

- (750 ILCS 5/505) (from Ch. 40, par. 505) 20
- 21 Sec. 505. Child support; contempt; penalties.
- 22 In a proceeding for dissolution of marriage, legal
- separation, declaration of invalidity of 23 marriage,
- proceeding for child support following dissolution of the
- marriage by a court which lacked personal jurisdiction over 25
- 26 the absent spouse, a proceeding for modification of
- 27 previous order for child support under Section 510 of this
- Act, or any proceeding authorized under Section 501 or 601 of 28
- 29 this Act, the court may order either or both parents owing a
- duty of support to a child of the marriage to pay an amount 30
- 31 reasonable and necessary for his support, without regard to
- marital misconduct. The duty of support owed to a minor 32
- 33 child includes the obligation to provide for the reasonable

and necessary physical, mental and emotional health needs of the child.

3 (1) The Court shall determine the minimum amount of 4 support by using the following guidelines:

5	Number of Children	Percent of Supporting Party's
6		Net Income
7	1	20%
8	2	25%
9	3	32%
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- (2) The above guidelines shall be applied in each case unless the court makes a finding that application of the guidelines would be inappropriate, after considering the best interests of the child in light of evidence including but not limited to one or more of the following relevant factors:
- (a) the financial resources and needs of the child;
 - (b) the financial resources and needs of the custodial parent;
 - (c) the standard of living the child would have enjoyed had the marriage not been dissolved;
 - (d) the physical and emotional condition of the child, and his educational needs; and
 - (e) the financial resources and needs of the non-custodial parent.

If the court deviates from the guidelines, the court's finding shall state the amount of support that would have been required under the guidelines, if determinable. The court shall include the reason or reasons for the variance from the guidelines.

(3) "Net income" is defined as the total of all

1	income from all sources, minus the following deductions:
2	(a) Federal income tax (properly calculated
3	withholding or estimated payments);
4	(b) State income tax (properly calculated
5	withholding or estimated payments);
6	(c) Social Security (FICA payments);
7	(d) Mandatory retirement contributions
8	required by law or as a condition of employment;
9	(e) Union dues;
10	(f) Dependent and individual
11	health/hospitalization insurance premiums;
12	(g) Prior obligations of support or
13	maintenance actually paid pursuant to a court order;
14	(h) Expenditures for repayment of debts that
15	represent reasonable and necessary expenses for the
16	production of income, medical expenditures necessary
17	to preserve life or health, reasonable expenditures
18	for the benefit of the child and the other parent,
19	exclusive of gifts. The court shall reduce net
20	income in determining the minimum amount of support
21	to be ordered only for the period that such payments
22	are due and shall enter an order containing
23	provisions for its self-executing modification upon
24	termination of such payment period.
25	(4) In cases where the court order provides for
26	health/hospitalization insurance coverage pursuant to
27	Section 505.2 of this Act, the premiums for that
28	insurance, or that portion of the premiums for which the
29	supporting party is responsible in the case of insurance
30	provided through an employer's health insurance plan
31	where the employer pays a portion of the premiums, shall
32	be subtracted from net income in determining the minimum
33	amount of support to be ordered.
34	(4.5) In a proceeding for child support following

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dissolution of the marriage by a court that lacked personal jurisdiction over the absent spouse, and in which the court is requiring payment of support for the period before the date an order for current support is entered, there is a rebuttable presumption that the supporting party's net income for the prior period was the same as his or her net income at the time the order for current support is entered.

- of default or any other reason, the court shall order support in an amount considered reasonable in the particular case. The final order in all cases shall state the support level in dollar amounts. However, if the court finds that the child support amount cannot be expressed exclusively as a dollar amount because all or a portion of the payor's net income is uncertain as to source, time of payment, or amount, the court may order a percentage amount of support in addition to a specific dollar amount and enter such other orders as may be necessary to determine and enforce, on a timely basis, the applicable support ordered.
- served with a request for discovery of financial information relating to the non-custodial parent's ability to provide child support, (ii) the non-custodial parent failed to comply with the request, despite having been ordered to do so by the court, and (iii) the non-custodial parent is not present at the hearing to determine support despite having received proper notice, then any relevant financial information concerning the non-custodial parent's ability to provide child support that was obtained pursuant to subpoena and proper notice shall be admitted into evidence without the need to establish any further foundation for its admission.

- 1 (a-5) In an action to enforce an order for support based 2 on the respondent's failure to make support payments as required by the order, notice of proceedings to hold the 3 4 respondent in contempt for that failure may be served on the respondent by personal service or by regular mail addressed 5 to the respondent's last known address. The respondent's 6 last known address may be determined from records of the 7 clerk of the court, from the Federal Case Registry of Child 8 9 Support Orders, or by any other reasonable means.
- 10 (b) Failure of either parent to comply with an order to
 11 pay support shall be punishable as in other cases of
 12 contempt. In addition to other penalties provided by law the
 13 Court may, after finding the parent guilty of contempt, order
 14 that the parent be:
- 15 (1) placed on probation with such conditions of 16 probation as the Court deems advisable;
 - (2) sentenced to periodic imprisonment for a period not to exceed 6 months; provided, however, that the Court may permit the parent to be released for periods of time during the day or night to:
 - (A) work; or

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- 22 (B) conduct a business or other self-employed occupation.
- The Court may further order any part or 24 all of 25 parent during a sentence of periodic earnings of а imprisonment paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court (before 26 July 1, 2002), to the State Disbursement Unit established 27 under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code (after 28 June 30, 2002), or to the parent having custody or to the 29 30 guardian having custody of the minor children of sentenced parent for the support of said minor children until 31 further order of the Court. 32
- If there is a unity of interest and ownership sufficient to render no financial separation between a non-custodial

- parent and another person or persons or business entity, the court may pierce the ownership veil of the person, persons,
- 3 or business entity to discover assets of the non-custodial
- 4 parent held in the name of that person, those persons, or
- 5 that business entity. The following circumstances are
- 6 sufficient to authorize a court to order discovery of the
- 7 assets of a person, persons, or business entity and to compel
- 8 the application of any discovered assets toward payment on
- 9 the judgment for support:
- 10 (1) the non-custodial parent and the person,
- 11 persons, or business entity maintain records together.
- 12 (2) the non-custodial parent and the person,
- 13 persons, or business entity fail to maintain an arms
- length relationship between themselves with regard to any
- assets.
- 16 (3) the non-custodial parent transfers assets to
- the person, persons, or business entity with the intent
- to perpetrate a fraud on the custodial parent.
- With respect to assets which are real property, no order
- 20 entered under this paragraph shall affect the rights of bona
- 21 fide purchasers, mortgagees, judgment creditors, or other
- 22 lien holders who acquire their interests in the property
- 23 prior to the time a notice of lis pendens pursuant to the
- 24 Code of Civil Procedure or a copy of the order is placed of
- 25 record in the office of the recorder of deeds for the county
- in which the real property is located.
- The court may also order in cases where the parent is 90
- 28 days or more delinquent in payment of support or has been
- 29 adjudicated in arrears in an amount equal to 90 days
- 30 obligation or more, that the parent's Illinois driving
- 31 privileges be suspended until the court determines that the
- 32 parent is in compliance with the order of support. The court
- 33 may also order that the parent be issued a family financial
- 34 responsibility driving permit that would allow limited

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1 driving privileges for employment and medical purposes in

2 accordance with Section 7-702.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

3 The clerk of the circuit court shall certify the order

4 suspending the driving privileges of the parent or granting

the issuance of a family financial responsibility driving

permit to the Secretary of State on forms prescribed by the

7 Secretary. Upon receipt of the authenticated documents, the

8 Secretary of State shall suspend the parent's driving

9 privileges until further order of the court and shall, if

10 ordered by the court, subject to the provisions of Section

11 7-702.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, issue a family

12 financial responsibility driving permit to the parent.

In addition to the penalties or punishment that may be imposed under this Section, any person whose conduct constitutes a violation of Section 15 of the Non-Support Punishment Act may be prosecuted under that Act, and a person convicted under that Act may be sentenced in accordance with that Act. The sentence may include but need not be limited to a requirement that the person perform community service under Section 50 of that Act or participate in a work alternative program under Section 50 of that Act. A person may not be required to participate in a work alternative program under Section 50 of that Act if the person is currently participating in a work program pursuant to Section 505.1 of this Act.

A support obligation, or any portion of a support obligation, which becomes due and remains unpaid for 30 days or more shall accrue interest at the rate of 9% per annum.

(c) A one-time charge of 20% is imposable upon the amount of past-due child support owed on July 1, 1988 which has accrued under a support order entered by the court. The charge shall be imposed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-21 of the Illinois Public Aid Code and shall be enforced by the court upon petition.

- 1 Any new or existing support order entered by the 2 court under this Section shall be deemed to be a series of against the person obligated to pay support 3 4 thereunder, each such judgment to be in the amount of 5 payment or installment of support and each such judgment to 6 be deemed entered as of the date the corresponding payment or 7 installment becomes due under the terms of the support order. Each such judgment shall have the full force, effect 8 9 attributes of any other judgment of this State, including the ability to be enforced. A lien arises by operation of law 10 11 against the real and personal property of the noncustodial parent for each installment of overdue support owed by the 12 13 noncustodial parent.
- When child support is to be paid through the clerk 14 the court in a county of 1,000,000 inhabitants or less, 15 16 the order shall direct the obligor to pay to the clerk, addition to the child support payments, all fees imposed by 17 18 the county board under paragraph (3) of subsection (u) Section 27.1 of the Clerks of Courts Act. Unless paid in 19 cash or pursuant to an order for withholding, the payment 20 2.1 the fee shall be by a separate instrument from the support payment and shall be made to the order of the Clerk. 22

This subsection (e) is inoperative after June 30, 2002.

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(f) All orders for support, when entered or modified, shall include a provision requiring the obligor to notify the court (before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002) and, in cases in which a party is receiving child and spouse services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Department of Public Aid, within 7 days (before July 1, 2002) or 5 business days (after June 30, 2002), (i) of the name and address of any new employer of the obligor, (ii) whether the obligor has access to health insurance coverage through the employer or other

group coverage and, if so, the policy name and number and the names of persons covered under the policy, and (iii) of any new residential or mailing address or telephone number of the non-custodial parent. In any subsequent action to enforce a support order, upon a sufficient showing that a diligent effort has been made to ascertain the location of the non-custodial parent, service of process or provision of notice necessary in the case may be made at the last known address of the non-custodial parent in any manner expressly provided by the Code of Civil Procedure or this Act, which service shall be sufficient for purposes of due process.

- (g) 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 majority or is otherwise emancipated. 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.
- An order entered under this Section before July 1, (h) 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to the clerk of the court within 10 days each time the obligor obtains new employment, and each time the obligor's employment is terminated for any reason. An order entered under this Section after June 30, 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee, the Department of Public Aid, and the State Disbursement Unit, within 5 business days, each time the obligor obtains new employment and each time the obligor's employment is terminated for any reason. The report shall be in writing and shall, in the case of new employment, include the name and address of the new employer.
 - Failure to report new employment or the termination of current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for

- 1 a period in excess of 60 days, is indirect criminal contempt.
- 2 For any obligor arrested for failure to report new employment
- 3 bond shall be set in the amount of the child support that
- 4 should have been paid during the period of unreported
- 5 employment.
- 6 An order entered under this Section shall also include a
- 7 provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise
- 8 each other of a change in residence within 5 days of the
- 9 change except when the court finds that the physical, mental,
- 10 or emotional health of a party or that of a minor child, or
- 11 both, would be seriously endangered by disclosure of the
- 12 party's address.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-476, eff. 1-1-98;
- 14 90-539, eff. 6-1-98; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 90-733, eff.
- 15 8-11-98; 91-113, eff. 7-15-99; 91-397, eff. 1-1-00; 91-655,
- 16 eff. 6-1-00; 91-767, eff. 6-9-00; revised 6-28-00.)
- 17 (750 ILCS 5/505.3)
- 18 Sec. 505.3. Information to State Case Registry.
- 19 (a) When an order for support is entered or modified
- 20 under this Act before July 1, 2002, the clerk of the circuit
- 21 court shall, within 5 business days, provide to the State
- 22 Case Registry established under Section 10-27 of the
- 23 Illinois Public Aid Code the court docket number and county
- 24 in which the order is entered or modified and the following
- 25 information, which the parties shall disclose to the court:
- 26 (1) The names of the custodial and non-custodial
- 27 parents and of the child or children covered by the
- order.
- 29 (2) The dates of birth of the custodial and
- 30 non-custodial parents and of the child or children
- 31 covered by the order.
- 32 (3) The social security numbers of the custodial
- and non-custodial parents and of the child or children

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- 2 (4) The residential and mailing addresses for the 3 custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 4 (5) The telephone numbers for the custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 6 (6) The driver's license numbers for the custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 8 (7) The name, address, and telephone number of each parent's employer or employers.
- When an order for support is entered or modified under
 this Act after June 30, 2002, the clerk shall provide the
 information to the Department of Public Aid within 5 business
 days, and the Department shall promptly transmit the
 information to the State Case Registry.
- 15 (b) When a child support order is entered or modified
 16 before July 1, 2002 for a case in which a party is receiving
 17 child and spouse support services under Article X of the
 18 Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk shall provide the State
 19 Case Registry with the following information:
- 20 (1) The information specified in subsection (a) of this Section.
 - (2) The amount of monthly or other periodic support owed under the order and other amounts, including arrearages, interest, or late payment penalties and fees, due or overdue under the order.
 - (3) Any amounts described in subdivision (2) of this subsection (b) that have been received by the clerk.
- 28 (4) The distribution of the amounts received by the clerk.
- 30 When a child support order is entered or modified after
 31 June 30, 2002 for a case in which a party is receiving child
 32 and spouse support services under Article X of the Illinois
 33 Public Aid Code, the clerk shall provide the information to
 34 the Department of Public Aid, and the Department shall

- 1 promptly transmit the information to the State Case Registry.
- 2 (b-5) When the clerk provides information to the
- 3 <u>Department of Public Aid under subsection (b), the Department</u>
- 4 shall determine whether the State Disbursement Unit
- 5 <u>established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid</u>
- 6 <u>Code has received any amounts described in subdivision</u>
- 7 (b)(2). If the State Disbursement Unit has received any such
- 8 amounts, the Department of Public Aid shall cause the
- 9 <u>following information to be provided to the Registry:</u>
- 10 <u>(1) All such amounts received by the State</u>
- 11 Disbursement Unit.
- 12 (2) The distribution of those amounts.
- 13 (c) A party shall report to the clerk of the circuit
- 14 court changes in information required to be the disclosed
- under this Section within 5 business days of the change.
- 16 (d) To the extent that updated information is in the
- 17 clerk's possession, the clerk shall provide updates of the
- 18 information specified in subsection (b) of this Section
- 19 within 5 business days after the Illinois Department of
- 20 Public Aid's request for that updated information.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)
- 22 (750 ILCS 5/507) (from Ch. 40, par. 507)
- 23 Sec. 507. Payment of maintenance or support to-court.
- 24 (a) In actions instituted under this Act, the court
- 25 shall order that maintenance and support payments be made to
- 26 the clerk of the court (before July 1, 2002) or the State
- 27 <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the</u>
- 28 <u>Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002)</u> as trustee for
- 29 remittance to the person entitled to receive the payments.
- 30 However, the court in its discretion may direct otherwise
- 31 where circumstances so warrant.
- 32 Upon notification in writing or by electronic
- 33 transmission from the Illinois Department of Public Aid to

1 the clerk of the court and (after June 30, 2002) the State 2 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> that a person who is receiving support payments under this Section is receiving services under the 3 4 Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D 5 of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently 6 received by the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement 7 <u>Unit</u> shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions of the Illinois Department of Public Aid until the Department 8 9 gives notice to the clerk of the court or the State <u>Disbursement Unit</u> to cease the transmittal. After providing 10 11 the notification authorized under this paragraph, the Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be entitled as a 12 party to notice of any further proceedings in the case. 13 clerk of the court shall file a copy of the 14 Illinois Department of Public Aid's notification in the court file. 15 16 The failure of the clerk to file a copy of the notification in the court file shall not, however, affect the Illinois 17 18 Department of Public Aid's right to receive notice of further 19 proceedings. 20

Unit shall maintain records listing the amount of payments, the date payments are required to be made and the names and addresses of the parties affected by the order. For those cases in which support is payable to the clerk of the circuit court or the State Disbursement Unit for transmittal to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of the court or upon notification of the Illinois Department of Public Aid collects support by assignment, offset, withholding, deduction or other process permitted by law, the Illinois Department shall notify the clerk or State Disbursement Unit of the date and amount of such collection. Upon notification, the clerk or State Disbursement Unit on the payment record for the case.

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- 1 (c) The parties affected by the order shall inform the
- 2 clerk of the court and the State Disbursement Unit of any
- 3 change of address or of other condition that may affect the
- 4 administration of the order.
- 5 (d) The provisions of this Section shall not apply to
- 6 cases that come under the provisions of Sections 709 through
- 7 712.
- 8 (e) To the extent the provisions of this Section are
- 9 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
- 10 Disbursement Unit under Section 507.1 of this Act and Section
- 11 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the requirements <u>under</u>
- 12 <u>those Sections</u> pertaining--to--the--State--Disbursement--Unit
- 13 shall apply.
- (f) In every case in which on July 1, 2002 there is in
- 15 <u>effect an order requiring that maintenance or support</u>
- 16 payments be made to the clerk of the court, the court shall
- 17 modify that order to provide that after June 30, 2002 those
- 18 payments shall be made to the State Disbursement Unit. The
- 19 <u>clerk of the court shall send a certified copy of the</u>
- 20 <u>modified order to each party.</u> As soon as practicable after
- 21 July 1, 2002, the clerk shall deliver to the State
- 22 <u>Disbursement Unit all of the clerk's records concerning</u>
- 23 <u>maintenance or support payments made to the clerk before July</u>
- 24 <u>1, 2002.</u>
- 25 (g) If the clerk of the court has received a maintenance
- 26 or support payment made before July 1, 2002 and has not
- 27 <u>disbursed the payment in accordance with law or an order of</u>
- 28 the court, the clerk shall promptly transmit the payment to
- 29 <u>the State Disbursement Unit.</u> The State Disbursement Unit
- 30 shall then disburse the payment as required by law or an
- 31 <u>order of the court.</u>
- 32 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-673, eff. 1-1-99;
- 33 90-790, eff. 8-14-98; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-357, eff.
- 34 7-29-99.)

- 1 (750 ILCS 5/511) (from Ch. 40, par. 511)
- 2 Sec. 511. Procedure. A judgment of dissolution or of
- 3 legal separation or of declaration of invalidity of marriage
- 4 may be enforced or modified by order of court pursuant to
- 5 petition.
- 6 (a) Any judgment entered within this State may be
- 7 enforced or modified in the judicial circuit wherein such
- 8 judgment was entered or last modified by the filing of a
- 9 petition with notice mailed to the respondent at his last
- 10 known address, or by the issuance of summons to the
- 11 respondent. If neither party continues to reside in the
- 12 county wherein such judgment was entered or last modified,
- 13 the court on the motion of either party or on its own motion
- 14 may transfer a post-judgment proceeding, including a
- 15 proceeding under the Income Withholding for Support Act, to
- 16 another county or judicial circuit, as appropriate, where
- 17 either party resides. If the post-judgment proceeding is
- 18 with respect to maintenance or support, any such transfer
- 19 shall be to the county or judicial circuit wherein the
- 20 recipient or proposed recipient of such maintenance or
- 21 support resides.
- 22 (b) In any post-judgment proceeding to enforce or modify
- 23 in one judicial circuit the judgment of another judicial
- 24 circuit of this State, the moving party shall commence the
- 25 proceeding by filing a petition establishing the judgment and
- 26 attaching a copy of the judgment as a part of the petition.
- 27 The parties shall continue to be designated as in the
- original proceeding. Notice of the filing of the petition
- 29 shall be mailed to the clerk of the court wherein the
- 30 judgment was entered and last modified in the same manner as
- 31 notice is mailed when registering a foreign judgment. Summons
- 32 shall be served as provided by law.
- 33 (c) In any post-judgment proceeding to enforce or modify
- 34 the judgment of another state, the moving party shall

- 1 commence the proceeding by filing a petition to enroll that
- 2 judgment, attaching a copy thereof as a part of the petition
- and proceed as provided for in paragraph (b) hereof.
- 4 (d) In any post-judgment proceeding to enforce a
- 5 judgment or order for payment of maintenance or support,
- 6 including a proceeding under the Income Withholding for
- 7 Support Act, where the terms of such judgment or order
- 8 provide that payments of such maintenance or support are to
- 9 be made to the clerk of the court and where neither party
- 10 continues to reside in the county wherein such judgment or
- order was entered or last modified, the court on the motion
- 12 of either party or on its own motion may transfer the
- 13 collection of the maintenance or support to the clerk of the
- 14 court in another county or judicial circuit, as appropriate,
- wherein the recipient of the maintenance or support payments
- 16 resides.
- This subsection (d) is inoperative after June 30, 2002.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99.)
- 19 (750 ILCS 5/516) (from Ch. 40, par. 516)
- 20 Sec. 516. Public Aid collection fee. In all cases
- 21 instituted by the Illinois Department of Public Aid on behalf
- of a child or spouse, other than one receiving a grant of
- 23 financial aid under Article IV of The Illinois Public Aid
- 24 Code, on whose behalf an application has been made and
- 25 approved for support services as provided by Section 10-1 of
- 26 that Code, the court shall impose a collection fee on the
- 27 individual who owes a child or spouse support obligation in
- an amount equal to 10% of the amount so owed as long as such
- 29 collection is required by federal law, which fee shall be in
- 30 addition to the support obligation. The imposition of such
- 31 fee shall be in accordance with provisions of Title IV, Part
- 32 D, of the Social Security Act and regulations duly
- 33 promulgated thereunder. The fee shall be payable to the

- 1 clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or to the
- 2 <u>State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of</u>
- 3 the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002) for
- 4 transmittal to the Illinois Department of Public Aid and
- 5 shall continue until support services are terminated by that
- 6 Department.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 82-979.)
- 8 (750 ILCS 5/705) (from Ch. 40, par. 705)
- 9 Sec. 705. Support payments; receiving and disbursing
- 10 agents.
- 11 (1) The provisions of this Section shall apply, except
- 12 as provided in Sections 709 through 712.
- 13 (2) In a dissolution of marriage action filed in a
- 14 county of less than 3 million population in which an order or
- judgment for child support is entered, and in supplementary
- 16 proceedings in any such county to enforce or vary the terms
- 17 of such order or judgment arising out of an action for
- 18 dissolution of marriage filed in such county, the court,
- 19 except as it otherwise orders, under subsection (4) of this
- 20 Section, may direct that child support payments be made to
- 21 the clerk of the court (before July 1, 2002) or the State
- 22 <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the</u>
- 23 <u>Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002)</u>.
- 24 (3) <u>Before July 1, 2002</u>, in a dissolution of marriage
- 25 action filed in any county of 3 million or more population in
- 26 which an order or judgment for child support is entered, and
- in supplementary proceedings in any such county to enforce or
- vary the terms of such order or judgment arising out of an
- 29 action for dissolution of marriage filed in such county, the
- 30 court, except as it otherwise orders under subsection (4) of
- 31 this Section, may direct that child support payments be made
- 32 either to the clerk of the court or to the Court Service
- 33 Division of the County Department of Public Aid. After

and before July 1, 2002, the court, except as it otherwise orders under subsection (4) of this Section, may direct that child support payments be made either to the clerk of the court or to the Illinois Department of Public Aid. After June 30, 2002, the court, except as it otherwise orders under

October 1, 1977 (the effective date of this Act, P.A. 80-923)

7 subsection (4), may direct that child support payments be

8 <u>made either to the State Disbursement Unit established under</u>

Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code or to the

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(4) In a dissolution of marriage action or supplementary proceedings involving maintenance or child support payments, or both, to persons who are recipients of aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the court shall direct that such payments be made to (a) the Illinois Department of Public Aid if the persons are recipients under Articles III, IV, or V of the Code, or (b) the local governmental unit responsible for their support if they are recipients under Articles VI or VII of the Code. In accordance with federal law and regulations, the Illinois Department of Public Aid may continue to collect current maintenance payments or child support payments, or both, after those persons cease to receive public assistance and until termination of services under Article X of Illinois Public Aid Code. The Illinois Department of Public Aid shall pay the net amount collected to those persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the collection or any collection fee from the amount of any recovery made. The order shall permit the Illinois Department of Public Aid or the local governmental unit, as the case may be, to direct that payments be made directly to the former spouse, children, or both, or to some person or agency in their behalf, upon removal of the former spouse or children from the public aid rolls or upon termination of services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code; and upon such 1 direction, the Illinois Department or local governmental

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Before July 1, 2002, all clerks of the court and the Court Service Division of a County Department of Public Aid and, after October 1, 1977 (the effective date of this Act, P.A. 80-923) and before July 1, 2002, all clerks of the court and the Illinois Department of Public Aid, receiving child support payments under subsections (2) and (3) of this Section shall disburse the payments to the person or persons entitled thereto under the terms of the order or judgment. After June 30, 2002, when the State Disbursement Unit or the Department of Public Aid receives a child support payment under subsection (2) or (3) of this Section, the Unit or Department shall disburse the payment to the person entitled to the payment under the terms of the order or judgment. They shall establish and maintain current records of all received and disbursed and of defaults and moneys delinquencies in required payments. The court, by order or

Upon notification in writing or by electronic transmission from the Illinois Department of Public Aid to the clerk of the court and (after June 30, 2002) the State <u>Disbursement Unit</u> that a person who is receiving support payments under this Section is receiving services under the Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently received by the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement Unit shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions of the Illinois Department of Public Aid until the Department gives notice to the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement Unit to cease the transmittal. After providing the notification authorized under this paragraph, the

rule, shall make provision for the carrying out of these

1 Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be entitled as a

2 party to notice of any further proceedings in the case. The

3 clerk of the court shall file a copy of the Illinois

4 Department of Public Aid's notification in the court file.

5 The failure of the clerk to file a copy of the notification

in the court file shall not, however, affect the Illinois

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Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Public Aid 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 the Illinois Public Aid Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General Assistance Fund. Any order of court directing payment child support to a clerk of court or the Court Service Division of a County Department of Public Aid, which order has been entered on or after August 14, 1961, and prior to the effective date of this Act, may be amended by the court line with this Act; and orders involving payments of maintenance or child support to recipients of public aid may in like manner be amended to conform to this Act.

- (6) No filing fee or costs will be required in any action brought at the request of the Illinois Department of Public Aid in any proceeding under this Act. However, any such fees or costs may be assessed by the court against the respondent in the court's order of support or any modification thereof in a proceeding under this Act.
- 32 (7) For those cases in which child support is payable to 33 the clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the 34 State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002) for transmittal

1 to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of court or 2 upon notification by the Illinois Department of Public Aid, the clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall transmit all such 3 4 payments, within 4 working days of receipt, to insure that 5 funds are available for immediate distribution by the б Department to the person or entity entitled thereto in 7 accordance with standards of the Child Support Enforcement Program established under Title IV-D of the Social Security 8 9 Act. The clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall notify the Department of the date of receipt and amount thereof at the 10 11 time of transmittal. Where the clerk or State Disbursement <u>Unit</u> has entered into an agreement of cooperation with the 12 Department to record the terms of child support orders and 13 payments made thereunder directly into the Department's 14 15 automated data processing system, the clerk or State 16 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall account for, transmit and otherwise 17 distribute child support payments in accordance with such agreement in lieu of the requirements contained herein. 18 19 Before July 1, 2002, in any action filed in a county with

Before July 1, 2002, in any action filed in a county with a population of 1,000,000 or less, the court shall assess against the respondent in any order of maintenance or child support any sum up to \$36 annually authorized by ordinance of the county board to be collected by the clerk of the court as costs for administering the collection and disbursement of maintenance and child support payments. Such sum shall be in addition to and separate from amounts ordered to be paid as maintenance or child support.

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(7.5) In every case in which on July 1, 2002 there is in effect an order requiring that child support payments be made to the clerk of the court, the court shall modify that order to provide that after June 30, 2002 those payments shall be made to the State Disbursement Unit. The clerk of the court shall send a certified copy of the modified order to each party. As soon as practicable after July 1, 2002, the clerk

- 1 shall deliver to the State Disbursement Unit all of the
- 2 <u>clerk's records concerning child support payments made to the</u>
- 3 <u>clerk before July 1, 2002.</u>
- 4 (7.10) If the clerk of the court has received child
- 5 <u>support payment made before July 1, 2002 and has not</u>
- 6 <u>disbursed</u> the payment in accordance with law or an order of
- 7 the court, the clerk shall promptly transmit the payment to
- 8 the State Disbursement Unit. The State Disbursement Unit
- 9 shall then disburse the payment as required by law or an
- 10 <u>order of the court.</u>
- 11 (8) To the extent the provisions of this Section are
- 12 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
- 13 Disbursement Unit under Section 507.1 of this Act and Section
- 14 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the requirements <u>under</u>
- 15 <u>those Sections</u> pertaining--to--the--State-Disbursement-Unit
- 16 shall apply.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-673, eff. 1-1-99;
- 18 90-790, eff. 8-14-98; 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-212, eff.
- 19 7-20-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; revised 8-31-99.)
- 20 (750 ILCS 5/709) (from Ch. 40, par. 709)
- 21 Sec. 709. Mandatory child support payments to clerk.
- 22 (a) As of January 1, 1982, child support orders entered
- 23 in any county covered by this subsection shall be made
- 24 pursuant to the provisions of Sections 709 through 712 of
- 25 this Act. For purposes of these Sections, the term "child
- 26 support payment" or "payment" shall include any payment
- ordered to be made solely for the purpose of the support of a
- 28 child or children or any payment ordered for general support
- 29 which includes any amount for support of any child or
- 30 children.
- The provisions of Sections 709 through 712 shall be
- 32 applicable to any county with a population of 2 million or
- 33 more and to any other county which notifies the Supreme Court

1 of its desire to be included within the coverage of these

2 Sections and is certified pursuant to Supreme Court Rules.

The effective date of inclusion, however, shall be 3

subject to approval of the application for reimbursement of

the costs of the support program by the Department of Public

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In any proceeding for a dissolution of marriage, 7

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modification thereof for the payment of child support is

entered on or after January 1, 1982, in any county covered by

Sections 709 through 712, and the person entitled to payment

is receiving a grant of financial aid under Article IV of the

Illinois Public Aid Code or has applied and qualified for

support services under Section 10-1 of that Code, the court

shall direct: (1) that such payments be made to the clerk of

the court (if the judgment or modification of judgment was

entered before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit 18

established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid 19

Code (if the judgment or modification of judgment is entered

after June 30, 2002) and (2) that the parties affected shall

22 each thereafter notify the clerk and the State Disbursement

23 any change of address or change in other conditions

that may affect the administration of the order, including 24

the fact that a party who was previously not on public aid

change. All notices sent to the obligor's last known address 27

has become a recipient of public aid, within 10 days of such

on file with the clerk shall be deemed sufficient to proceed 28

with enforcement pursuant to the provisions of Sections 709

30 through 712.

In all other cases, the court may direct that payments be 31

made to the clerk of the court (before July 1, 2002) or the 32

33 State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002).

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this 34

- 1 Section, the clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall disburse
- 2 the payments to the person or persons entitled thereto under
- 3 the terms of the order or judgment.
- 4 (d) The court shall determine, prior to the entry of the
- 5 support order, if the party who is to receive the support is
- 6 presently receiving public aid or has a current application
- 7 for public aid pending and shall enter the finding on the
- 8 record.

9 If the person entitled to payment is a recipient of under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk or State 10 11 Disbursement Unit, upon being informed of this fact by finding of the court, by notification by the party entitled 12 to payment, by the Illinois Department of Public Aid or by 13 the local governmental unit, shall make all payments to: 14 (1)the Illinois Department of Public Aid if the person is a 15 16 recipient under Article III, IV, or V of the Code or (2) the local governmental unit responsible for his or her support if 17 the person is a recipient under Article VI or VII of the 18 Code. In accordance with federal law and regulations, 19 Illinois Department of Public Aid may continue to collect 20 21 current maintenance payments or child support payments, or 22 both, after those persons cease to receive public assistance 23 and until termination of services under Article X of Illinois Public Aid Code. The Illinois Department of Public 24 25 Aid shall pay the net amount collected to those persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the collection or any 26 collection fee from the amount of any recovery made. Upon 27 termination of public aid payments to such a recipient or 28 29 termination of services under Article X of the Illinois 30 Public Aid Code, the Illinois Department of Public Aid or the appropriate local governmental unit shall notify the clerk 31 32 (before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002) in writing or by electronic transmission that 33

all subsequent payments are to be sent directly to the person

1 entitled thereto.

2 Upon notification in writing or by electronic transmission from the Illinois Department of Public Aid to 3 4 the clerk of the court and (after June 30, 2002) the State 5 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> that a person who is receiving support 6 payments under this Section is receiving services under the 7 Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D 8 of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently 9 received by the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement <u>Unit</u> shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions 10 11 of the Illinois Department of Public Aid until the Department gives notice to the clerk of the court or the State 12 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> to cease the transmittal. After providing 13 the notification authorized under this 14 paragraph, Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be entitled as a 15 16 party to notice of any further proceedings in the case. clerk of the court shall file a copy of the Illinois 17 Department of Public Aid's notification in the court 18 19 The failure of the clerk to file a copy of the notification in the court file shall not, however, affect the Illinois 20 21 Department of Public Aid's right to receive notice of further 22 proceedings. 23 Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Public Aid pursuant to the Child Support Enforcement Program 24 25 established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act shall be paid into the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund. 26 payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of 27 Human Services shall be deposited in the DHS Recoveries Trust 28 29 Fund. Disbursements from these funds shall be as provided in

30 the Illinois Public Aid Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General 31

Assistance Fund.

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(e) Any order or judgment may be amended by the court, 33 upon its own motion or upon the motion of either party, to 34

- 1 conform with the provisions of Sections 709 through 712,
- 2 either as to the requirement of making payments to the clerk
- 3 or the State Disbursement Unit or, where payments are already
- 4 being made to the clerk or the State Disbursement Unit, as to
- 5 the statutory fees provided for under Section 711.
- 6 (f) The clerk (before July 1, 2002) and the State
- 7 <u>Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002)</u> may invest in any
- 8 interest bearing account or in any securities, monies
- 9 collected for the benefit of a payee, where such payee cannot
- 10 be found; however, the investment may be only for the period
- 11 until the clerk or State Disbursement Unit is able to locate
- 12 and present the payee with such monies. The clerk <u>or State</u>
- 13 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> may invest in any interest bearing account,
- or in any securities, monies collected for the benefit of any
- other payee; however, this does not alter the clerk's or
- 16 <u>State Disbursement Unit's</u> obligation to make payments to the
- 17 payee in a timely manner. Any interest or capital gains
- 18 accrued shall be for the benefit of the county (before July
- 19 1, 2002) or for the benefit of the State (after June 30,
- 20 <u>2002</u>). <u>Monies collected by the clerk</u> and shall be paid into
- 21 the special fund established in subsection (b) of Section
- 22 711.
- 23 (g) The clerk <u>and the State Disbursement Unit</u>shall
- 24 establish and maintain a payment record of all monies
- 25 received and disbursed and such record shall constitute prima
- 26 facie evidence of such payment and non-payment, as the case
- may be.
- 28 (h) For those cases in which child support is payable to
- 29 the clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the
- 30 <u>State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002)</u> for transmittal
- 31 to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of court or
- 32 upon notification by the Illinois Department of Public Aid,
- 33 the clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall transmit all such
- 34 payments, within 4 working days of receipt, to insure that

1 funds are available for immediate distribution by the 2 Department to the person or entity entitled thereto in accordance with standards of the Child Support Enforcement 3 4 Program established under Title IV-D of the Social Security The clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall notify the 5 6 Department of the date of receipt and amount thereof at the 7 time of transmittal. Where the clerk or State Disbursement <u>Unit</u> has entered into an agreement of cooperation with 8 9 Department to record the terms of child support orders and payments made thereunder directly into the Department's 10 11 automated data processing system, the clerk or State <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall account for, transmit and otherwise 12 13 distribute child support payments in accordance with such agreement in lieu of the requirements contained herein. 14 15 (h-5) In every case in which on July 1, 2002 there is in effect an order requiring that child support payments be made 16

(h-5) In every case in which on July 1, 2002 there is in effect an order requiring that child support payments be made to the clerk of the court, the court shall modify that order to provide that after June 30, 2002 those payments shall be made to the State Disbursement Unit. The clerk of the court shall send a certified copy of the modified order to each party. As soon as practicable after July 1, 2002, the clerk shall deliver to the State Disbursement Unit all of the clerk's records concerning child support payments made to the clerk before July 1, 2002.

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(h-10) If the clerk of the court has received a child support payment made before July 1, 2002 and has not disbursed the payment in accordance with law or an order of the court, the clerk shall promptly transmit the payment to the State Disbursement Unit. The State Disbursement Unit shall then disburse the payment as required by law or an order of the court.

(i) To the extent the provisions of this Section are inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State Disbursement Unit under Section 507.1 of this Act and Section

- 1 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the requirements under
- 2 <u>those Sections</u> pertaining--to--the--State--Disbursement--Unit
- 3 shall apply.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99;
- 5 revised 9-28-99.)
- 6 (750 ILCS 5/710) (from Ch. 40, par. 710)
- 7 Sec. 710. Child support enforcement program;
- 8 <u>establishment</u>; penalties.
- 9 (a) In counties certified as included under the
- 10 provisions of Sections 709 through 712 and whose application
- 11 for reimbursement is approved, there shall be instituted a
- 12 child support enforcement program to be conducted by the
- clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the State
- 14 <u>Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the</u>
- 15 <u>Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002)</u> and the
- 16 State's Attorney of the county. The program is to be limited
- 17 to enforcement of child support orders entered pursuant to
- 18 this Act.
- 19 The child support enforcement program is to be conducted
- 20 only on behalf of dependent children included in a grant of
- 21 financial aid under Article IV of the Illinois Public Aid
- 22 Code and parties who apply and qualify for support services
- 23 pursuant to Section 10-1 of such Code.
- Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit
- 25 the establishment of a child support enforcement program by
- 26 the clerk of the circuit court or State Disbursement Unit in
- cooperation with the State's Attorney of the county.
- 28 (b) In the event of a delinquency in payment, as
- 29 determined from the record maintained by the clerk <u>or State</u>
- 30 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> in a county covered by the child support
- 31 enforcement program, the such clerk or State Disbursement
- 32 <u>Unit</u> shall notify both the party obligated to make the
- 33 payment, hereinafter called the payor, and the recipient of

- 1 such payment, hereinafter called the payee, of such
- 2 delinquency and that if the amount then due and owing is not
- 3 remitted in the time period required by circuit court rules,
- 4 the matter will be referred to the State's Attorney for
- 5 enforcement proceedings. Upon failure of the payor to remit
- 6 as required, the clerk <u>or State Disbursement Unit</u> shall refer
- 7 the matter to the State's Attorney, except as provided by
- 8 rule of the circuit court.
- 9 (c) Upon referral from the clerk or State Disbursement
- 10 <u>Unit</u>, the State's Attorney shall promptly initiate
- 11 enforcement proceedings against the payor. Legal
- 12 representation by the State's Attorney shall be limited to
- 13 child support and shall not extend to visitation, custody,
- 14 property or other matters; however, if the payor properly
- 15 files pleadings raising such matters during the course of the
- 16 child support hearing and the court finds that it has
- jurisdiction of such matters, the payee shall be granted the
- 18 opportunity to obtain a continuance in order to secure
- 19 representation for those other matters, and the court shall
- 20 not delay entry of an appropriate support order pending the
- 21 disposition of such other matters.
- If the State's Attorney does not commence enforcement
- 23 proceedings within 30 days, the clerk or State Disbursement
- 24 <u>Unit</u> shall inform the court which, upon its own motion, shall
- 25 appoint counsel for purposes of enforcement. The fees and
- 26 expenses of such counsel shall be paid by the payor and shall
- 27 not be paid by the State.
- Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent a
- 29 payee from instituting independent enforcement proceedings or
- 30 limit the remedies available to payee in such proceedings.
- 31 However, absent the exercise under this provision of a
- 32 private right of enforcement, enforcement shall be as
- 33 otherwise provided in this Section.
- 34 (d) At the time any support order is entered, the payee

- 1 shall be informed of the procedure used for enforcement and
- 2 shall be given the address and telephone number both (i) of
- 3 the clerk (before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement
- 4 <u>Unit (after June 30, 2002)</u> and <u>(ii)</u> of the Child and Spouse
- 5 Support Unit as provided in Section 712.
- 6 The payee shall be informed that, if no action is taken
- 7 within 2 months of any complaint to the clerk (before July 1,
- 8 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002),
- 9 <u>the payee may contact the Child and Spouse Support</u> Unit to
- 10 seek assistance in obtaining enforcement.
- 11 (e) Upon a finding that payor is in default and that
- 12 such non-payment is for a period of two months and that such
- 13 non-payment is without good cause, the court shall order the
- 14 payor to pay a sum equal to 2% of the arrearage as a penalty
- 15 along with his payment.
- 16 The court may further assess against the payor any fees
- 17 and expenses incurred in the enforcement of any order or the
- 18 reasonable value thereof and may impose any penalty otherwise
- 19 available to it in a case of contempt.
- 20 All penalties, fees and expenses assessed against the
- 21 payor pursuant to this subsection are to cover the expenses
- of enforcement, are to be paid to the clerk (before July 1,
- 23 <u>2002</u>) or the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002).
- 24 Monies received by the clerk and are to be placed by the
- 25 <u>clerk</u> him in the special fund provided for in Section 711.
- 26 (f) Any person not covered by the child support
- 27 enforcement program may institute private and independent
- 28 proceedings to enforce payment of support.
- 29 (g) On July 1, 2002, in every county covered by a child
- 30 support enforcement program established under this Section or
- 31 <u>otherwise established by the clerk of the circuit court in</u>
- 32 <u>cooperation with the State's Attorney of the county, the</u>
- 33 <u>State Disbursement Unit shall succeed to all of the rights,</u>
- 34 powers, duties, and functions of the clerk under the program.

- 1 As soon as practicable after July 1, 2002, the clerk shall
- 2 <u>deliver to the State Disbursement Unit all of the clerk's</u>
- 3 records concerning child support payments made to the clerk
- 4 <u>before July 1, 2002.</u>
- 5 (Source: P.A. 88-284.)
- 6 (750 ILCS 5/712) (from Ch. 40, par. 712)
- 7 Sec. 712. Child support enforcement program;
- 8 <u>administration</u>.
- 9 (a) The Supreme Court may make Rules concerning the
- 10 certification of counties for inclusion in the child support
- 11 enforcement program and the application of the procedures
- 12 created by Sections 709 through 712 in the various counties.
- 13 The Supreme Court shall inform (i) each circuit court and
- 14 (ii) each clerk of the court (before July 1, 2002) or the
- 15 <u>State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of</u>
- 16 the Illinois Public Aid (after June 30, 2002) of the
- 17 availability of the program to reimburse counties desiring to
- 18 participate in the program of enforcement of child support
- 19 payments.
- 20 The Supreme Court shall also distribute to (i) each
- 21 circuit court and (ii) each clerk of the court (before July
- 22 <u>1, 2002</u>) or the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002)
- 23 any materials prepared by the Child and Spouse Support Unit
- 24 comparing child support enforcement in counties included and
- 25 not included in this program.
- 26 (b) The Illinois Department of Public Aid, through the
- 27 Child and Spouse Support Unit provided for by Section 10-3.1
- 28 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, shall have general
- 29 supervision of the child support programs created by Sections
- 30 709 through 712 and shall have the powers and duties provided
- 31 in this Section, including the following:
- 32 (1) to make advance payments to any county included
- in the program for expenses in preparing programs to

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enforce payment of child support to the clerk <u>or State</u>

<u>Disbursement Unit</u> from appropriations made for such purposes by the General Assembly;

(2) to make payments to each covered county to pay for reasonable expenses actually necessary to maintain a continuing program not paid for by fees, penalties, or other monies; provided that, with respect to that portion of the program on behalf of children included in a grant of financial aid under Article IV of the Illinois Public Aid Code the Child and Spouse Support Unit shall pay only such expenses as is its current practice or as it may deem appropriate; provided further that the Child and Spouse Support Unit shall only pay expenses of the entire program subject the availability of federal monies to pay the majority of expenses of the entire child support enforcement program; provided further that the Child and Spouse Support Unit or Department may set standards relating to enforcement which have to be met by any county seeking to enter a contract with the Department for reimbursement of expenses of the entire enforcement program prior to an application for reimbursement being approved and the granted; and provided further that contract standards may relate to, but are not limited to following factors: maintenance of the payment record, the definition of delinquency; the period of time in which a delinquency must be determined, the payor notified, remittance received, the referral to the State's Attorney made, and the payment remitted by the clerk or State <u>Disbursement Unit</u> to the payee or other party entitled to the payment; the conditions under which referral will not be made to the State's Attorney; and the definitions and procedures for other matters necessary for the conduct and operation of the program;

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- (4) to act to encourage enforcement whenever local enforcement procedures are inadequate;
- (5) to receive monies from any source for assistance in enforcement of child support; and
- 8 (6) to assist any county desirous of assistance in 9 establishing and maintaining a child support enforcement 10 program.
- 11 Any county may apply for financial assistance to the Child and Spouse Support Unit to initiate or maintain a 12 program of child support enforcement. Every county which 13 desires such assistance shall apply according to procedures 14 15 established by the Child and Spouse Support Unit. 16 application, it shall state the following: financial needs, personnel requirements, anticipated caseloads, any amounts 17 18 collected or anticipated in fees or penalties, and any other 19 information required by the Child and Spouse Support Unit.
 - (d) In the case that any advance money is given to any county under this Section to initiate an enforcement system, the county shall reimburse the State within 2 years from the date such monies are given to it. The Child and Spouse Support Unit may establish an appropriate schedule of reimbursement for any county.
- 26 (e) In the event of the unavailability of federal monies 27 to pay for the greater part of the costs to a county of the 28 child support enforcement program under Sections 709 through 29 712 and the resulting cessation of State participation, the 30 operation of the child support enforcement program under 31 Sections 709 through 712 shall terminate. The date and the 32 method of termination shall be determined by Supreme Court
- 33 Rule.

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34 (Source: P.A. 84-1395.)

- 1 (750 ILCS 5/713) (from Ch. 40, par. 713)
- 2 Sec. 713. Attachment of the body. As used in this
- 3 Section, "obligor" has the same meaning ascribed to such term
- 4 in the Income Withholding for Support Act.
- 5 (a) In any proceeding to enforce an order for support,
- 6 where the obligor has failed to appear in court pursuant to
- 7 order of court and after due notice thereof, the court may
- 8 enter an order for the attachment of the body of the obligor.
- 9 Notices under this Section shall be served upon the obligor
- 10 by any means authorized under subsection (a-5) of Section
- 11 505. The attachment order shall fix an amount of escrow
- which is equal to a minimum of 20% of the total child support
- arrearage alleged by the obligee in sworn testimony to be due
- 14 and owing. The attachment order shall direct the Sheriff of
- 15 any county in Illinois to take the obligor into custody and
- shall set the number of days following release from custody
- for a hearing to be held at which the obligor must appear, if
- he is released under subsection (b) (e) of this Section.
- 19 (b) If the obligor is taken into custody, the Sheriff
- 20 shall take the obligor before the court which entered the
- 21 attachment order. However, the Sheriff may release the
- 22 person after he or she has deposited the amount of escrow
- 23 ordered by the court pursuant to local procedures for the
- 24 posting of bond. The Sheriff shall advise the obligor of the
- 25 hearing date at which the obligor is required to appear.
- 26 (c) Any escrow deposited pursuant to this Section shall
- 27 be transmitted to the clerk of the circuit court for the
- 28 county in which the order for attachment of the body of the
- 29 obligor was entered. Any clerk who receives money deposited
- into escrow pursuant to this Section <u>after June 30, 2002</u>
- 31 <u>shall promptly transmit that money, together with a copy of</u>
- 32 <u>the attachment order, to the State Disbursement Unit</u>
- 33 <u>established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid</u>
- 34 <u>Code. The State Disbursement Unit shall establish an escrow</u>

account into which it shall deposit all moneys transmitted to it by a clerk of the court under this subsection. The clerk 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 б deposited into escrow. The clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall disburse such money to the obligee only under an order from the court that entered the attachment order pursuant to

this Section.

- (d) Whenever an obligor is taken before the court by the Sheriff, or appears in court after the court has ordered the attachment of his body, the court shall:
 - (1) hold a hearing on the complaint or petition that gave rise to the attachment order. For purposes of determining arrearages that are due and owing by the obligor, the court shall accept the previous sworn testimony of the obligee as true and the appearance of the obligee shall not be required. The court shall require sworn testimony of the obligor as to his or her Social Security number, income, employment, bank accounts, property and any other assets. If there is a dispute as to the total amount of arrearages, the court shall proceed as in any other case as to the undisputed amounts; and
 - Disbursement Unit 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.
- 32 (e) If the obligor fails to appear in court after being 33 notified of the court date by the Sheriff upon release from 34 custody, the court shall order any monies deposited into

- 1 escrow to be immediately released to the obligee or public
- 2 office and shall proceed under subsection (a) of this Section
- 3 by entering another order for the attachment of the body of
- 4 the obligor.
- 5 (f) This Section shall apply to any order for support
- 6 issued under the "Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of
- 7 Marriage Act", approved-September-22,-1977,-as-amended; the
- 8 "Illinois Parentage Act of 1984", effective-July-1,-1985,--as
- 9 amended; the "Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of
- 10 Support Act*, approved--August--28,--1969,-as-amended; **the
- Illinois Public Aid Code", approved--April--11,--1967,--as
- 12 amended; the Non-Support Punishment Act, or; -- and the
- "Non-support of Spouse and Children Act", approved--June--8,
- 14 1953,-as-amended.
- 15 (g) Any escrow established pursuant to this Section for
- 16 the purpose of providing support shall not be subject to fees
- 17 collected by the clerk of the circuit court for any other
- 18 escrow.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; 91-113, eff. 7-15-99;
- 20 91-613, eff. 10-1-99; revised 10-7-99.)
- 21 Section 30. The Non-Support Punishment Act is amended by
- 22 changing Sections 20, 25, 30, and 35 as follows:
- 23 (750 ILCS 16/20)
- Sec. 20. Entry of order for support; income withholding.
- 25 (a) In a case in which no court or administrative order
- for support is in effect against the defendant:
- 27 (1) at any time before the trial, upon motion of
- the State's Attorney, or of the Attorney General if the
- 29 action has been instituted by his office, and upon notice
- 30 to the defendant, or at the time of arraignment or as a
- 31 condition of postponement of arraignment, the court may
- 32 enter such temporary order for support as may seem just,

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providing for the support or maintenance of the spouse or child or children of the defendant, or both, pendente lite; or

- (2) before trial with the consent of the defendant, or at the trial on entry of a plea of guilty, or after conviction, instead of imposing the penalty provided in this Act, or in addition thereto, the court may enter an order for support, subject to modification by the court from time to time as circumstances may require, directing the defendant to pay a certain sum for maintenance of the spouse, or for support of the child or children, or both.
- 12 (b) The court shall determine the amount of child support
 13 by using the guidelines and standards set forth in subsection
 14 (a) of Section 505 and in Section 505.2 of the Illinois
 15 Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.
- 16 If (i) the non-custodial parent was properly served with a request for discovery of financial information relating to 17 the non-custodial parent's ability to provide child support, 18 (ii) the non-custodial parent failed to comply with the 19 request, despite having been ordered to do so by the court, 20 2.1 and (iii) the non-custodial parent is not present at the 22 hearing to determine support despite having received proper 23 notice, then any relevant financial information concerning the non-custodial parent's ability to provide support that 24 25 was obtained pursuant to subpoena and proper notice shall be admitted into evidence without the need to establish any 26 further foundation for its admission. 27
 - (c) The court shall determine the amount of maintenance using the standards set forth in Section 504 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.
- 31 (d) The court may, for violation of any order under this 32 Section, punish the offender as for a contempt of court, but 33 no pendente lite order shall remain in effect longer than 4 34 months, or after the discharge of any panel of jurors

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summoned for service thereafter in such court, whichever is sooner.

- (e) Any order for support entered by the court under this Section shall be deemed to be a series of judgments against the person obligated to pay support under the judgments, each such 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 terms of the support order. Each judgment shall have the full force, effect, and attributes of any other judgment of this State, including the ability to be enforced. Each judgment is subject to modification or termination only in accordance with Section 510 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. A lien arises by operation of law against the real and personal property of the noncustodial parent for each installment of overdue support owed by the noncustodial parent.
- (f) An order for support entered under this Section 18 19 before July 1, 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee and to the clerk of the 20 21 court within 10 days each time the obligor obtains new 22 employment, and each time the obligor's employment 23 terminated for any reason. An order for support entered under this Section after June 30, 2002 shall include a 24 25 provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee, the Department of Public Aid, and the State Disbursement Unit 26 established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid 27 Code, within 5 business days, each time the obligor obtains 28 new employment and each time the obligor's employment is 29 30 terminated for any reason. The report shall be in writing and shall, in the case of new employment, include the name 31 32 and address of the new employer.
- Failure to report new employment or the termination of current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for

- 1 a period in excess of 60 days, is indirect criminal contempt.
- 2 For any obligor arrested for failure to report new
- 3 employment, bond shall be set in the amount of the child
- 4 support that should have been paid during the period of
- 5 unreported employment.
- 6 An order for support entered under this Section shall
- 7 also include a provision requiring the obligor and obligee
- 8 parents to advise each other of a change in residence within
- 9 5 days of the change except when the court finds that the
- 10 physical, mental, or emotional health of a party or of a
- 11 minor child, or both, would be seriously endangered by
- 12 disclosure of the party's address.
- 13 (g) An order for support entered or modified in a case in
- 14 which a party is receiving child and spouse support services
- under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code shall include
- 16 a provision requiring the noncustodial parent to notify the
- 17 Illinois Department of Public Aid, within 7 days (before July
- 18 <u>1, 2002</u>) or <u>5 business days (after June 30, 2002)</u>, of the
- 19 name and address of any new employer of the noncustodial
- 20 parent, whether the noncustodial parent has access to health
- 21 insurance coverage through the employer or other group
- coverage and, if so, the policy name and number and the names
- of persons covered under the policy.
- 24 (h) In any subsequent action to enforce an order for
- 25 support entered under this Act, upon sufficient showing that
- 26 diligent effort has been made to ascertain the location of
- 27 the noncustodial parent, service of process or provision of
- notice necessary in that action may be made at the last known
- 29 address of the noncustodial parent, in any manner expressly
- 30 provided by the Code of Civil Procedure or in this Act, which
- 31 service shall be sufficient for purposes of due process.
- 32 (i) An order for support shall include a date on which
- 33 the current support obligation terminates. The termination
- 34 date shall be no earlier than the date on which the child

- 1 covered by the order will attain the age of majority or is
- 2 otherwise emancipated. The order for support shall state that
- 3 the termination date does not apply to any arrearage that may
- 4 remain unpaid on that date. Nothing in this subsection shall
- 5 be construed to prevent the court from modifying the order.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99; 91-767, eff. 6-9-00.)
- 7 (750 ILCS 16/25)
- 8 Sec. 25. Payment of support to State Disbursement Unit;
- 9 clerk of the court.
- 10 (a) As used in this Section, "order for support",
- "obligor", "obligee", and "payor" mean those terms as defined
- in the Income Withholding for Support Act.
- 13 (b) Each order for support entered or modified under
- 14 Section 20 of this Act shall require that support payments be
- 15 made to the State Disbursement Unit established under the
- 16 Illinois Public Aid Code, under the following circumstances:
- 17 (1) when a party to the order is receiving child and
- spouse support services under Article X of the Illinois
- 19 Public Aid Code; or
- 20 (2) when no party to the order is receiving child
- and spouse support services, but the support payments are
- 22 made through income withholding.
- 23 (c) If When no party to the order is receiving child and
- 24 spouse support services, and payments are not being made
- 25 through income withholding, then the court-shall-order-the
- 26 obligor-to-make support payments shall be made as directed in
- 27 <u>the order for support</u> to-the-elerk-of-the-court.
- 28 (d) In the case of an order for support entered by the
- 29 court under this Act before a party commenced receipt of
- 30 child and spouse support services and before July 1, 2002,
- 31 upon receipt of these services by a party the Illinois
- 32 Department of Public Aid shall provide notice to the obligor
- 33 to send any support payments he or she makes personally to

- 1 the State Disbursement Unit until further direction of the
- 2 Department. The Department shall provide a copy of the
- notice to the obligee and to the clerk of the court. 3
- 4 (e) If a State Disbursement Unit as specified by federal
- law has not been created in Illinois upon the effective date 5
- of this Act, then, until the creation of a State Disbursement 6
- 7 Unit as specified by federal law, the following provisions
- 8 regarding payment and disbursement of support payments shall
- 9 control and the provisions in subsections (a), (b), (c),
- (d) shall be inoperative. Upon the creation of a State 10
- 11 Disbursement Unit as specified by federal law, this
- subsection (e) shall be inoperative and the payment and 12
- disbursement provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) 13
- shall control. 14

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- 15 (1) In cases in which an order for support
- 16 entered under Section 20 of this Act, the court shall
- order that maintenance and support payments be made to 17
- the clerk of the court for remittance to the person or 18
- 19 agency entitled to receive the payments. However, the
- court in its discretion may direct otherwise where 20
- exceptional circumstances so warrant. 21
- 22 (2) The court shall direct that support payments be
- 23 sent by the clerk to (i) the Illinois Department of

Public Aid if the person in whose behalf payments are

local governmental unit responsible for the support of

- made is receiving aid under Articles III, IV, or V of the
- Illinois Public Aid Code, or child and spouse support
- services under Article X of the Code, or (ii) to the
- 29 the person if he or she is a recipient under Article VI
- In accordance with federal law 30 of the Code.
- regulations, the Illinois Department of Public Aid may 31
- continue to collect current maintenance payments or child 32
- 33 support payments, or both, after those persons cease to
- 34 receive public assistance and until termination of

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services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code. The Illinois Department shall pay the net amount collected to those persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the collection or any collection fee from the amount of any recovery made. The order shall permit the Illinois Department of Public Aid or the local governmental unit, as the case may be, to direct that support payments be made directly to the spouse, children, or both, or to some person or agency in their behalf, upon removal of the spouse or children from the public aid rolls or upon termination of services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code; and upon such direction, the Illinois Department or the local governmental unit, as the case requires, shall give notice of such action to the court in writing or by electronic transmission.

- (3) The clerk of the court shall establish and maintain current records of all moneys received and disbursed and of delinquencies and defaults in required payments. The court, by order or rule, shall make provision for the carrying out of these duties.
- transmission from the Illinois Department of Public Aid to the clerk of the court that a person who is receiving support payments under this Section is receiving services under the Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently received by the clerk of the court shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions of the Illinois Department of Public Aid until the Department gives notice to cease the transmittal. After providing the notification authorized under this paragraph, the Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be a party and entitled to notice of any further proceedings

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in the case. The clerk of the court shall file a copy of the Illinois Department of Public Aid's notification in the court file. The failure of the clerk to file a copy of the notification in the court file shall not, however, affect the Illinois Department of Public Aid's rights as a party or its right to receive notice of further proceedings.

- (5) Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Public Aid 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 other payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be deposited in the Public Assistance Recoveries Trust Fund. Disbursements from these funds shall be as provided in the Illinois Public Aid Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General Assistance Fund.
- (6) For those cases in which child support is payable to the clerk of the circuit court for transmittal to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of court or upon notification by the Illinois Department of Public Aid, the clerk shall transmit all such payments, within 4 working days of receipt, to insure that funds available for immediate distribution by the Department to the person or entity entitled thereto in accordance with standards of the Child Support Enforcement Program established under Title IV-D of t.he Social Security Act. The clerk shall notify the Department of the date of receipt and amount thereof at the time of transmittal. Where the clerk has entered into an agreement of cooperation with the Department to record the terms of child support orders and payments made thereunder directly into the Department's automated

- data processing system, the clerk shall account for,
- 2 transmit and otherwise distribute child support payments
- 3 in accordance with such agreement in lieu of the
- 4 requirements contained herein.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)
- 6 (750 ILCS 16/30)
- 7 Sec. 30. Information to State Case Registry.
- 8 (a) When an order for support is entered or modified
- 9 under Section 20 of this Act before July 1, 2002, the clerk
- of the court shall, within 5 business days, provide to the
- 11 State Case Registry established under Section 10-27 of the
- 12 Illinois Public Aid Code the court docket number and county
- in which the order is entered or modified and the following
- 14 information, which the parents involved in the case shall
- 15 disclose to the court:
- 16 (1) the names of the custodial and noncustodial
- 17 parents and of the child or children covered by the
- 18 order;
- 19 (2) the dates of birth of the custodial and
- 20 noncustodial parents and of the child or children covered
- 21 by the order;
- 22 (3) the social security numbers of the custodial and
- 23 noncustodial parents and, if available, of the child or
- children covered by the order;
- (4) the residential and mailing address for the
- custodial and noncustodial parents;
- 27 (5) the telephone numbers for the custodial and
- 28 noncustodial parents;
- 29 (6) the driver's license numbers for the custodial
- and noncustodial parents; and
- 31 (7) the name, address, and telephone number of each
- 32 parent's employer or employers.
- 33 When an order for support is entered or modified under

- 1 Section 20 after June 30, 2002, the clerk shall provide the
- 2 <u>information to the Department of Public Aid within 5 business</u>
- 3 days, and the Department of Public Aid shall promptly
- 4 <u>transmit the information to the State Case Registry.</u>
- 5 (b) When an order for support is entered or modified
- 6 under Section 20 before July 1, 2002 in a case in which a
- 7 party is receiving child and spouse support services under
- 8 Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk shall
- 9 provide the State Case Registry with the following
- 10 information within 5 business days:
- 11 (1) the information specified in subsection (a);
- 12 (2) the amount of monthly or other periodic support
- owed under the order and other amounts, including
- 14 arrearages, interest, or late payment penalties and fees,
- due or overdue under the order;
- 16 (3) any amounts described in subdivision (2) of this
- subsection (b) that have been received by the clerk; and
- 18 (4) the distribution of the amounts received by the
- 19 clerk.
- When a child support order is entered or modified under
- 21 <u>Section 20 after June 30, 2002 for a case in which a party is</u>
- 22 <u>receiving child and spouse support services under Article X</u>
- of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk shall provide the
- 24 <u>information to the Department of Public Aid, and the</u>
- 25 <u>Department shall promptly transmit the information to the</u>
- 26 <u>State Case Registry.</u>
- 27 (b-5) When the clerk provides information to the
- Department of Public Aid under subsection (b), the Department
- 29 <u>shall determine</u> whether the <u>State Disbursement Unit</u>
- 30 <u>established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid</u>
- 31 <u>Code has received any amounts described in subdivision</u>
- 32 (b)(2). If the State Disbursement Unit has received any such
- 33 <u>amounts</u>, the <u>Department of Public Aid shall cause the</u>
- 34 <u>following information to be provided to the Registry:</u>

- 1 (1) All such amounts received by the State
 2 Disbursement Unit.
- 3 (2) The distribution of those amounts.
- 4 (c) A party shall report to the clerk of the circuit
- 5 court changes in information required to be disclosed under
- 6 this Section within 5 business days of the change.
- 7 (d) To the extent that updated information is in the
- 8 clerk's possession, the clerk shall provide updates of the
- 9 information specified in subsection (b) within 5 business
- 10 days after the Illinois Department of Public Aid's request
- 11 for that updated information.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)
- 13 (750 ILCS 16/35)
- 14 Sec. 35. Fine; release of defendant on probation;
- violation of order for support; forfeiture of recognizance.
- 16 (a) Whenever a fine is imposed it may be directed by the
- 17 court to be paid, in whole or in part, to the spouse or,
- 18 ex-spouse, or, if the support of a child or children is
- involved, to the custodial parent <u>or</u>, to the clerk, <u>to the</u>
- 20 probation officer, to the State Disbursement Unit established
- 21 <u>under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code</u>, or to
- 22 the Illinois Department of Public Aid if a recipient of child
- 23 and spouse support services under Article X of the Illinois
- 24 Public Aid Code is involved as the case requires, to be
- 25 disbursed by $\underline{\text{the officer}}$ such-officers or agency under the
- terms of the order.
- 27 (b) The court may also relieve the defendant from custody
- on probation for the period fixed in the order or judgment
- upon his or her entering into a recognizance, with or without
- 30 surety, in the sum as the court orders and approves. The
- 31 condition of the recognizance shall be such that if the
- 32 defendant makes his or her personal appearance in court
- 33 whenever ordered to do so by the court, during such period as

- 1 may be so fixed, and further complies with the terms of the
- 2 order for support, or any subsequent modification of the
- order, then the recognizance shall be void; otherwise it will
- 4 remain in full force and effect.
- 5 (c) If the court is satisfied by testimony in open court,
- 6 that at any time during the period of one year the defendant
- 7 has violated the terms of the order for support, it may
- 8 proceed with the trial of the defendant under the original
- 9 charge, or sentence him or her under the original conviction,
- or enforce the suspended sentence, as the case may be. In
- 11 case of forfeiture of recognizance, and enforcement of
- 12 recognizance by execution, the sum so recovered may, in the
- discretion of the court, be paid, in whole or in part, to the
- 14 spouse or, ex-spouse, or, if the support of a child or
- 15 children is involved, to the custodial parent or, to the
- 16 clerk, to the State Disbursement Unit, or to the Illinois
- 17 Department of Public Aid if a recipient of child and spouse
- 18 support services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid
- 19 Code is involved as the case requires, to be disbursed by the
- 20 clerk, the State Disbursement Unit, or the Department under
- 21 the terms of the order.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 91-613, eff. 10-1-99.)
- 23 Section 35. The Expedited Child Support Act of 1990 is
- amended by changing Sections 6 and 7 as follows:
- 25 (750 ILCS 25/6) (from Ch. 40, par. 2706)
- Sec. 6. Authority of hearing officers.
- 27 (a) With the exception of judicial functions exclusively
- 28 retained by the court in Section 8 of this Act and in
- 29 accordance with Supreme Court rules promulgated pursuant to
- 30 this Act, Administrative Hearing Officers shall be authorized
- 31 to:
- 32 (1) Accept voluntary agreements reached by the

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parties setting the amount of child support to be paid and medical support liability and recommend the entry of orders incorporating such agreements.

- (2) Accept voluntary acknowledgments of parentage and recommend entry of an order establishing parentage based on such acknowledgement. Prior to accepting such acknowledgment, the Administrative Hearing Officer shall advise the putative father of his rights and obligations in accordance with Supreme Court rules promulgated pursuant 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 pursuant to Section 11 of the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984.
- (4) Cause notices to be issued requiring the Obligor to appear either before the Administrative Hearing Officer or in court.
- (5) Administer the oath or affirmation and take testimony under oath or affirmation.
- (6) Analyze the evidence and prepare written recommendations based on such evidence, including but not limited to: (i) proposed findings as to the amount of the Obligor's income; (ii) proposed findings as to the amount and nature of appropriate deductions from the Obligor's income to determine the Obligor's net income; (iii) proposed findings as to the existence of relevant factors as set forth in subsection (a)(2) of Section 505 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, which justify setting child support payment levels above or below the guidelines; (iv) recommended orders for temporary child support; (v) recommended orders setting the amount of current child support to be paid; (vi) proposed findings as to the existence and amount of any

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arrearages; (vii) recommended orders reducing any arrearages to judgement and for the payment of amounts towards such arrearages; (viii) proposed findings as to whether there has been a substantial change of circumstances since the entry of the 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.

- With respect to any unemployed Obligor who making child support payments or is otherwise unable to provide support, recommend that the Obligor be ordered to seek employment and report periodically of his or her efforts in accordance with such order. Additionally, the Administrative Hearing Officer may recommend that the Obligor be ordered to report to the Department of Employment Security for job search services or to make application with the local Job Jobs Training Partnership Act provider for participation in job search, training or work programs and, where the duty of support is owed to a child receiving support services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Administrative Hearing Officer may recommend that the Obligor be ordered to report to the Illinois Department of Public Aid for participation in the job search, training or work programs established under Section 9-6 of the Public Aid Code.; -and
- (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:
- 34 (1) inform the Obligee of the existence of the IV-D

- 1 program and provide applications on request; and
- 2 (2) inform the Obligee and the Obligor of the
- option of requesting payment to be made through the Clerk 3
- of the Circuit Court (before July 1, 2002) or the State 4
- Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the 5
- Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002. 6
- 7 If a request for payment through the Clerk or State
- Disbursement Unit is made, the Administrative Hearing Officer 8
- 9 shall note this fact in the recommendations to the court.
- (c) The Administrative Hearing Officer 10 may make
- 11 recommendations in addition to the proposed findings of fact
- and recommended order to which the parties have agreed. 12
- (Source: P.A. 86-1401; revised 2-23-00.) 13
- (750 ILCS 25/7) (from Ch. 40, par. 2707) 14
- 15 Sec. 7. Expedited Child Support Hearings.
- Except as otherwise provided 16 Service. in this
- 17 subsection and in Section 11 of this Act, the service of
- 18 notice to commence an action under this Act may be made by
- regular mail. The notice shall be sent to the last known 19
- 20 address of the Obligor. Parentage actions, actions for the
- 21 establishment of child support orders involving parties who
- in which no court has yet acquired jurisdiction over

are married and living separately, and any other proceedings

- 24 subject matter shall be commenced as provided in the Code of
- Civil Procedure and Supreme Court Rules. The notice or 25
- summons shall indicate the date set for hearing. 26

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- (b) Rules of evidence. Except as provided in this 27
- Section, the established rules of evidence shall be followed 28
- 29 in all Expedited Child Support Hearings. A party may offer
- in evidence, without foundation or other proof: 30
- (1) the Obligor's stubs 31 pay orother
- employer-provided statement of gross income, deductions, 32
- 33 and net income prepared by the employer in the usual

course of business;

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- (2) documents provided by the Obligor's insurance company that describe the dependent care coverage available to the Obligor; and
- (3) records kept by the clerk of the circuit court

 or the State Disbursement Unit established under Section

 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code as to payment of child support.
- 9 Other domestic relations matters. Petitions for visitation, custody, distribution of property, petitions 10 11 pursuant to Section 513 of the Illinois Marriage Dissolution of Marriage Act, spousal maintenance as otherwise 12 provided, and any domestic relations matters other than 13 parentage and child support shall be transferred by the 14 Administrative Hearing Officer for a judicial hearing as 15 16 provided in the Plan. Transfer of such matters shall not delay the proceeding before the Administrative Hearing 17 18 Officer relative to parentage or child support.
- 19 (d) Transfers for judicial hearings. All actions and
 20 matters requiring a judicial hearing, as provided for in this
 21 Act and in Supreme Court rules promulgated pursuant to this
 22 Act, shall be transferred to the court as provided in the
 23 Plan.
- Pre-hearing motions and other matters. 24 All 25 pre-hearing motions and other matters that require a court order, as defined in this Act and in the Supreme Court rules 26 promulgated pursuant to this Act, shall be presented to the 27 court for resolution and the court shall make every effort to 28 29 dispose of the motion in an expeditious manner. However, if 30 the parties are in agreement with respect to the pre-hearing motion or other matters, the Administrative Hearing Officer 31 32 shall transmit a recommended order, signed by both parties, to the court. 33
- 34 (f) Notice to parties and transmittal of

recommendations. The Administrative Hearing Officer shall provide each party with a copy of the recommendations, together with a notice informing the parties of their right to request a judicial hearing. The recommendations and notice shall be given to the parties at the time of the hearing. If either party is not present at the time of the hearing, either in person or through his or her attorney, the provisions of Section 10 of this Act shall apply. parties are present at the hearing and agree to the recommended order of the Administrative Hearing Officer, they shall sign the recommended order and the Administrative Hearing Officer shall transmit the recommendations to the Court as provided in the Plan.

(1) If either party does not agree to the recommended order or any part thereof, a judicial hearing shall immediately be scheduled as to those matters on which the parties disagree. The Administrative Hearing Officer shall record the date, time, and place of the judicial hearing on a notice and provide a copy of the notice to each party either in person at the time of the expedited hearing or by regular mail. The Administrative Hearing Officer shall transmit to the court a written statement indicating that the parties do not agree to all or part of the recommendations.

No part of the recommendations on which the parties disagree shall be made a part of the record in court unless both parties stipulate to its admission and the court so orders. However, those matters on which the parties agree may be made a part of the record in court.

(2) If either party does not agree to the Administrative Hearing Officer's recommendations and the case is transferred for a judicial hearing, neither the parties nor the court may compel the Administrative Hearing Officer to testify at the judicial hearing.

- 1 The Supreme Court may develop and provide a
- 2 standard form for proposed findings and recommended orders,
- other necessary standard forms, for use by 3
- 4 Administrative Hearing Officers in Expedited Child Support
- 5 Hearings.
- (Source: P.A. 86-1401.) б
- 7 Section 40. The Income Withholding for Support Act is
- 8 amended by changing Sections 20, 25, 30, 40, and 45 as
- follows: 9
- 10 (750 ILCS 28/20)
- 20. Entry of order for support containing income 11 Sec.
- withholding provisions; income withholding notice. 12
- 13 In addition to any content required under other
- 14 laws, every order for support entered on or after July 1,
- 1997, shall: 15

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- Require an income withholding notice to be 16 (1)
- 17 prepared and served immediately upon any payor of the
- agreement is reached between and signed by both parties

obligor by the obligee or public office, unless a written

- 20 providing for an alternative arrangement, approved and
- 21 entered into the record by the court, which ensures
- payment of support. In that case, the order for support 22
- 23 shall provide that an income withholding notice is to be
- and served only if the obligor becomes 24 prepared
- delinquent in paying the order for support; and 25
- (2) Contain a dollar amount to be paid until 26
- 27 payment in full of any delinquency that accrues after
- 28 entry of the order for support. The amount for payment
- of delinquency shall not be less than 20% of the total of 29
- 30 the current support amount and the amount to be paid
- periodically for payment of any arrearage stated in the 31
- order for support; and 32

1	(3) Include the obligor's Social Security Number,
2	which the obligor shall disclose to the court. If the
3	obligor is not a United States citizen, the obligor shall
4	disclose to the court, and the court shall include in the
5	order for support, the obligor's alien registration
6	number, passport number, and home country's social
7	security or national health number, if applicable.
8	(b) At the time the order for support is entered, the
9	Clerk of the Circuit Court shall provide a copy of the order
10	to the obligor <u>and (after June 30, 2002) to the State</u>
11	<u>Disbursement Unit</u> and shall make copies available to the

(c) The income withholding notice shall:

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- (1) be in the standard format prescribed by the federal Department of Health and Human Services; and
- (1.1) state the date of entry of the order for support upon which the income withholding notice is based; and
- (2) direct any payor to withhold the dollar amount required for current support under the order for support; and
- (3) direct any payor to withhold the dollar amount required to be paid periodically under the order for support for payment of the amount of any arrearage stated in the order for support; and
- (4) direct any payor or labor union or trade union to enroll a child as a beneficiary of a health insurance plan and withhold or cause to be withheld, if applicable, any required premiums; and
- (5) state the amount of the payor income withholding fee specified under this Section; and
- 32 (6) state that the amount actually withheld from 33 the obligor's income for support and other purposes, 34 including the payor withholding fee specified under this

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Section, may not be in excess of the maximum amount permitted under the federal Consumer Credit Protection

Act; and

- (7) state the duties of the payor and the fines and penalties for failure to withhold and pay over income and for discharging, disciplining, refusing to hire, or otherwise penalizing the obligor because of the duty to withhold and pay over income under this Section; and
- (8) state the rights, remedies, and duties of the obligor under this Section; and
- (9) include the Social Security Numbers of the obligor, the obligee, and the child or children included in the order for support; and
- (10) include the date that withholding for current support terminates, which shall be the date of termination of the current support obligation set forth in the order for support; and
- (11) contain the signature of the obligee or the printed name and telephone number of the authorized representative of the public office, except that the failure to contain the signature of the obligee or the printed name and telephone number of the authorized representative of the public office shall not affect the validity of the income withholding notice; and
- (12) direct any payor to pay over amounts withheld for payment of support to the State Disbursement Unit.
- (d) The accrual of a delinquency as a condition for service of an income withholding notice, under the exception to immediate withholding in subsection (a) of this Section, shall apply only to the initial service of an income withholding notice on a payor of the obligor.
- 32 (e) Notwithstanding the exception to immediate 33 withholding contained in subsection (a) of this Section, if 34 the court finds at the time of any hearing that an arrearage

- has accrued, the court shall order immediate service of an income withholding notice upon the payor.
- (f) If the order for support, under the exception to immediate withholding contained in subsection (a) of this Section, provides that an income withholding notice is to be prepared and served only if the obligor becomes delinquent in paying the order for support, the obligor may execute a written waiver of that condition and request immediate service on the payor.

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- (g) The obligee or public office may serve the income withholding notice on the payor or its superintendent, manager, or other agent by ordinary mail or certified mail return receipt requested, by facsimile transmission or other electronic means, by personal delivery, or by any method provided by law for service of a summons. At the time service on the payor and as notice that withholding has commenced, the obligee or public office shall serve a copy of the income withholding notice on the obligor by ordinary mail addressed to his or her last known address. A copy of the income withholding notice together with proofs of service on the payor and the obligor shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. After June 30, 2002 the Clerk shall provide a copy of the income withholding notice to the State <u>Disbursement Unit.</u>
 - (h) At any time after the initial service of an income withholding notice, any other payor of the obligor may be served with the same income withholding notice without further notice to the obligor. A copy of the income withholding notice together with a proof of service on the other payor shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. After June 30, 2002, the Clerk shall provide a copy of the income withholding notice to the State Disbursement Unit.
- (i) New service of an income withholding notice is not required in order to resume withholding of income in the case

- 1 of an obligor with respect to whom an income withholding
- 2 notice was previously served on the payor if withholding of
- 3 income was terminated because of an interruption in the
- 4 obligor's employment of less than 180 days.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; incorporates P.A. 90-790,
- 6 eff. 8-14-98; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)
- 7 (750 ILCS 28/25)
- 8 Sec. 25. Income withholding after accrual of
- 9 delinquency.
- 10 (a) Whenever an obligor accrues a delinquency, the
- 11 obligee or public office may prepare and serve upon the
- 12 obligor's payor an income withholding notice that:
- 13 (1) contains the information required under
- 14 subsection (c) of Section 20; and
- 15 (2) contains the total amount of the delinquency as
- of the date of the notice; and
- 17 (3) directs the payor to withhold the dollar amount
- 18 required to be withheld periodically under the order for
- 19 support for payment of the delinquency.
- 20 (b) The income withholding notice and the obligor's copy
- of the income withholding notice shall be served as provided
- in subsection (g) of Section 20.
- 23 (c) The obligor may contest withholding commenced under
- 24 this Section by filing a petition to contest withholding with
- 25 the Clerk of the Circuit Court within 20 days after service
- of a copy of the income withholding notice on the obligor.
- 27 However, the grounds for the petition to contest withholding
- 28 shall be limited to:
- 29 (1) a dispute concerning the existence or amount of
- 30 the delinquency; or
- 31 (2) the identity of the obligor.
- 32 The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall notify the obligor,
- and the obligee or public office, and (after June 30, 2002)

- 1 <u>the State Disbursement Unit</u> of the time and place of the
- 2 hearing on the petition to contest withholding. The court
- 3 shall hold the hearing pursuant to the provisions of Section
- 4 40.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; incorporates P.A. 90-790,
- 6 eff. 8-14-98; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)
- 7 (750 ILCS 28/30)
- 8 Sec. 30. Initiated withholding.
- 9 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, if
- 10 the court has not required that income withholding take
- 11 effect immediately, the obligee or public office may initiate
- 12 withholding, regardless of whether a delinquency has accrued,
- 13 by preparing and serving an income withholding notice on the
- 14 payor that contains the information required under subsection
- 15 (c) of Section 20 and states that the parties' written
- 16 agreement providing an alternative arrangement to immediate
- 17 withholding under subsection (a) of Section 20 no longer
- 18 ensures payment of support due and the reason or reasons why
- 19 it does not.
- 20 (b) The income withholding notice and the obligor's copy
- of the income withholding notice shall be served as provided
- in subsection (g) of Section 20.
- 23 (c) The obligor may contest withholding commenced under
- 24 this Section by filing a petition to contest withholding with
- 25 the Clerk of the Circuit Court within 20 days after service
- of a copy of the income withholding notice on the obligor.
- 27 However, the grounds for the petition shall be limited to a
- 28 dispute concerning:
- 29 (1) whether the parties' written agreement
- 30 providing an alternative arrangement to immediate
- 31 withholding under subsection (a) of Section 20 continues
- 32 to ensure payment of support; or
- 33 (2) the identity of the obligor.

- 1 It shall not be grounds for filing a petition that the
- 2 obligor has made all payments due by the date of the
- 3 petition.
- 4 (d) If the obligor files a petition contesting
- 5 withholding within the 20-day period required under
- 6 subsection (c), the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall notify
- 7 the obligor, and the obligee or public office, and (after
- 8 <u>June 30, 2002</u>) the State Disbursement Unit, as appropriate,
- 9 of the time and place of the hearing on the petition. The
- 10 court shall hold the hearing pursuant to the provisions of
- 11 Section 40.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99.)
- 13 (750 ILCS 28/40)
- 14 Sec. 40. Petitions to contest withholding or to modify,
- 15 suspend, terminate, or correct income withholding notices.
- 16 (a) When an obligor files a petition to contest
- 17 withholding, the court, after due notice to all parties,
- shall hear the matter as soon as practicable and shall enter
- 19 an order granting or denying relief, ordering service of an
- 20 amended income withholding notice, where applicable, or
- 21 otherwise resolving the matter.
- The court shall deny the obligor's petition if the court
- 23 finds that when the income withholding notice was mailed,
- 24 sent by facsimile transmission or other electronic means, or
- 25 placed for personal delivery to or service on the payor:
- 26 (1) a delinquency existed; or
- 27 (2) the parties' written agreement providing an
- 28 alternative arrangement to immediate withholding under
- subsection (a) of Section 20 no longer ensured payment of
- 30 support.
- 31 (b) At any time, an obligor, obligee, or public office,
- or <u>a</u> Clerk of the Circuit Court (before July 1, 2002), or the
- 33 <u>State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002)</u> may petition

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- 2 (1) modify, suspend or terminate the income 3 withholding notice because of a modification, suspension 4 or termination of the underlying order for support; or
 - (2) modify the amount of income to be withheld to reflect payment in full or in part of the delinquency or arrearage by income withholding or otherwise; or
 - (3) suspend the income withholding notice because of inability to deliver income withheld to the obligee due to the obligee's failure to provide a mailing address or other means of delivery.
- 12 (c) At any time an obligor may petition the court to 13 correct a term contained in an income withholding notice to 14 conform to that stated in the underlying order for support 15 for:
- 16 (1) the amount of current support;
- 17 (2) the amount of the arrearage;
- 18 (3) the periodic amount for payment of the 19 arrearage; or
- 20 (4) the periodic amount for payment of the 21 delinquency.
- 22 (d) The obligor, obligee or public office shall serve on 23 the payor, in the manner provided for service of income 24 withholding notices in subsection (g) of Section 20, a copy 25 of any order entered pursuant to this Section that affects 26 the duties of the payor.
- (e) At any time, a public office, a er Clerk of the Circuit Court (before July 1, 2002), or the State

 Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002) may serve a notice on the payor to:
- 31 (1) cease withholding of income for payment of 32 current support for a child when the support obligation 33 for that child has automatically ceased under the order 34 for support through emancipation or otherwise; or

- 1 (2) cease withholding of income for payment of 2 delinquency or arrearage when the delinquency or
- 3 arrearage has been paid in full.
- 4 (f) The notice provided for under subsection (e) of this
- 5 Section shall be served on the payor in the manner provided
- for service of income withholding notices in subsection (g)
- 7 of Section 20, and a copy shall be provided to the obligor
- 8 and the obligee.
- 9 (g) The income withholding notice shall continue to be
- 10 binding upon the payor until service of an amended income
- 11 withholding notice or any order of the court or notice
- 12 entered or provided for under this Section.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99.)
- 14 (750 ILCS 28/45)
- 15 Sec. 45. Additional duties.
- 16 (a) An obligee who is receiving income withholding
- 17 payments under this Act shall notify the State Disbursement
- 18 Unit and <u>either</u> the Clerk of the Circuit Court (before July
- 19 <u>1, 2002) or the Department of Public Aid (after June 30,</u>
- 20 <u>2002</u>) of any change of address within 7 days (before July 1,
- 21 <u>2002</u>) or 5 business days (after June 30, 2002) of such
- change.
- 23 (b) An obligee who is a recipient of public aid shall
- send a copy of any income withholding notice served by the
- 25 obligee to the Division of Child Support Enforcement of the
- 26 Illinois Department of Public Aid.
- 27 (c) Each obligor shall notify the obligee, the public
- office, the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002),
- 29 and the Clerk of the Circuit Court of any change of address
- 30 within 7 days (before July 1, 2002) or 5 business days (after
- 31 <u>June 30, 2002</u>).
- 32 (d) An obligor whose income is being withheld pursuant
- 33 to this Act shall notify the obligee, the public office, the

- 1 State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002), and either the
- 2 Clerk of the Circuit Court (before July 1, 2002) or the
- 3 <u>Department of Public Aid (after June 30, 2002)</u> of any new
- 4 payor, within 7 days (before July 1, 2002) or 5 business days
- 5 (after June 30, 2002).
- 6 (e) (Blank.)
- 7 (f) The obligee or public office shall provide notice to
- 8 the payor and either the Clerk of the Circuit Court (before
- 9 July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit (after June 30,
- 10 <u>2002</u>) of any other support payment made, including but not
- limited to, a set-off under federal and State law or partial
- 12 payment of the delinquency or arrearage, or both.
- 13 (g) The State Disbursement Unit shall maintain complete,
- 14 accurate, and clear records of all income withholding
- 15 payments and their disbursements. Certified copies of
- 16 payment records maintained by the State Disbursement Unit,
- 17 <u>the Department of Public Aid</u>, a public office, or the Clerk
- 18 of the Circuit Court shall, without further proof, be
- 19 admitted into evidence in any legal proceedings under this
- 20 Act.
- 21 (h) The Illinois Department of Public Aid shall design
- 22 suggested legal forms for proceeding under this Act and shall
- 23 make available to the courts such forms and informational
- 24 materials which describe the procedures and remedies set
- 25 forth herein for distribution to all parties in support
- 26 actions.
- 27 (i) At the time of transmitting each support payment,
- 28 the State Disbursement Unit shall provide the obligee or
- 29 public office, as appropriate, with any information furnished
- 30 by the payor as to the date the amount would (but for the
- 31 duty to withhold income) have been paid or credited to the
- 32 obligor.
- 33 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; incorporates P.A. 90-790,
- 34 eff. 8-14-98; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

- 1 Section 45. The Illinois Parentage Act of 1984
- amended by changing Sections 14, 14.1, 15, 21, 22, and 23 as 2
- 3 follows:
- (750 ILCS 45/14) (from Ch. 40, par. 2514) 4
- 5 Sec. 14. Judgment.
- (a) (1) The judgment shall contain or explicitly reserve 6 7 provisions concerning any duty and amount of child support 8 may contain provisions concerning the custody and guardianship of the child, visitation privileges with the 9 10 child, the furnishing of bond or other security for the payment of the judgment, which the court shall determine in 11 accordance with the relevant factors set forth in the 12 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act and any 13 14 other applicable law of Illinois, to guide the court 15 finding in the best interests of the child. In determining custody, joint custody, or visitation, the court shall apply 16 17 relevant standards of the Illinois Marriage and 18 Dissolution of Marriage Act. Specifically, in determining the amount of any child support award, the court shall use the 19 guidelines and standards set forth in subsection (a) of 20 Section 505 and in Section 505.2 of the Illinois Marriage and 21 22 Dissolution of Marriage Act. For purposes of Section 505 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, "net 23 24 income" of the non-custodial parent shall include benefits available to that person under the Illinois Public 25 26 Aid Code from other federal, State or or government-funded programs. The court shall, in any event 27 28 and regardless of the amount of the non-custodial parent's 29 net income, in its judgment order the non-custodial parent to pay child support to the custodial parent in a minimum amount 30 31 of not less than \$10 per month. In an action brought within 2
- years after a child's birth, the judgment or order may direct 32
- 33 either parent to pay the reasonable expenses incurred by

- 1 either parent related to the mother's pregnancy and the
- 2 delivery of the child. The judgment or order shall contain
- the father's social security number, which the father shall 3
- 4 disclose to the court; however, failure to include the
- 5 father's social security number on the judgment or order does
- б not invalidate the judgment or order.
- (2) If a judgment of parentage contains no explicit 7
- 8 award of custody, the establishment of a support obligation
- 9 or of visitation rights in one parent shall be considered a
- judgment granting custody to the other parent. 10
- 11 parentage judgment contains no such provisions, custody shall
- be presumed to be with the mother; however, the presumption 12
- shall not apply if the father has had physical custody for at 13
- least 6 months prior to the date that the mother seeks to 14
- 15 enforce custodial rights.

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- 16 The court shall order all child support payments,
- determined in accordance with such guidelines, to commence 17
- with the date summons is served. The level of current 18
- periodic support payments shall not be reduced because of 19
- payments set for the period prior to the date of entry of the 20
- 21 support order. The Court may order any child support
- 22 payments to be made for a period prior to the commencement of
- the payments shall be made for any prior period, the court

the action. In determining whether and the extent to which

- shall consider all relevant facts, including the factors for 25
- determining the amount of support specified in the Illinois 26
- Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act and other equitable 27
- factors including but not limited to: 28
- The father's prior knowledge of the fact and 29
- 30 circumstances of the child's birth.
 - (2) The father's prior willingness or refusal to
- help raise or support the child. 32
- (3) The extent to which the mother or the public 33
- 34 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.

- (4) The reasons the mother or the public agency did not file the action earlier.
- 5 (5) 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 any 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.

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

(c) Any 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 such judgment to be deemed entered as of the date the corresponding payment or installment becomes due under the terms of the support order. Each judgment shall have the full force, effect and attributes of any other judgment of this State, including the ability to be enforced. A lien arises by operation of law

- 1 against the real and personal property of the noncustodial
- 2 parent for each installment of overdue support owed by the
- 3 noncustodial parent.
- 4 (d) If the judgment or order of the court is at variance
- 5 with the child's birth certificate, the court shall order
- 6 that a new birth certificate be issued under the Vital
- 7 Records Act.
- 8 (e) On request of the mother and the father, the court
- 9 shall order a change in the child's name. After hearing
- 10 evidence the court may stay payment of support during the
- 11 period of the father's minority or period of disability.
- 12 (f) If, upon a showing of proper service, the father
- fails to appear in court, or otherwise appear as provided by
- 14 law, the court may proceed to hear the cause upon testimony
- of the mother or other parties taken in open court and shall
- 16 enter a judgment by default. The court may reserve any order
- 17 as to the amount of child support until the father has
- 18 received notice, by regular mail, of a hearing on the matter.
- 19 (g) A one-time charge of 20% is imposable upon the
- 20 amount of past-due child support owed on July 1, 1988 which
- 21 has accrued under a support order entered by the court. The
- 22 charge shall be imposed in accordance with the provisions of
- 23 Section 10-21 of the Illinois Public Aid Code and shall be
- 24 enforced by the court upon petition.
- 25 (h) All orders for support, when entered or modified,
- 26 shall include a provision requiring the non-custodial parent
- 27 to notify the court and, in cases in which party is receiving
- 28 child and spouse support services under Article X of the
- 29 Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Department of Public
- 30 Aid, within 7 days (before July 1, 2002) or 5 business days
- 31 (after June 30, 2002), (i) of the name and address of any new
- 32 employer of the non-custodial parent, (ii) whether the
- 33 non-custodial parent has access to health insurance coverage
- through the employer or other group coverage and, if so, the

1 policy name and number and the names of persons covered under 2 the policy, and (iii) of any new residential or mailing address or telephone number of the non-custodial parent. 3 4 any subsequent action to enforce a support order, upon a 5 sufficient showing that a diligent effort has been made to 6 ascertain the location of the non-custodial parent, service 7 of process or provision of notice necessary in the case may 8 be made at the last known address of the non-custodial parent 9 in any manner expressly provided by the Code of Civil Procedure or this Act, which service shall be sufficient for 10 11 purposes of due process.

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- (i) 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 majority or is otherwise emancipated. 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.
- 2.1 (j) An order entered under this Section before July 1, 22 2002 shall include a provision requiring the obligor to 23 report to the obligee and to the clerk of the court within 10 days each time the obligor obtains new employment, and each 24 25 time the obligor's employment is terminated for any reason. 26 An order entered under this Section after June 30, 2002 shall 27 include a provision requiring the obligor to report to the obligee, the Department of Public Aid, and the State 28 Disbursement Unit, within 5 business days, each time the 29 30 obligor obtains new employment and each time the obligor's 31 employment is terminated for any reason. The report shall 32 in writing and shall, in the case of new employment, be include the name and address of the new employer. 33
- 34 Failure to report new employment or the termination of

- 1 current employment, if coupled with nonpayment of support for
- 2 a period in excess of 60 days, is indirect criminal contempt.
- 3 For any obligor arrested for failure to report new employment
- 4 bond shall be set in the amount of the child support that
- 5 should have been paid during the period of unreported
- 6 employment.
- 7 An order entered under this Section shall also include a
- 8 provision requiring the obligor and obligee parents to advise
- 9 each other of a change in residence within 5 days of the
- 10 change except when the court finds that the physical, mental,
- or emotional health of a party or that of a minor child, or
- 12 both, would be seriously endangered by disclosure of the
- 13 party's address.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-539, eff. 6-1-98;
- 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 91-767, eff. 6-9-00.)
- 16 (750 ILCS 45/14.1)
- 17 Sec. 14.1. Information to State Case Registry.
- 18 (a) When an order for support is entered or modified
- 19 under this Act before July 1, 2002, the clerk of the circuit
- 20 court shall, within 5 business days, provide to the State
- 21 Case Registry established under Section 10-27 of the
- 22 Illinois Public Aid Code the court docket number and county
- 23 in which the order is entered or modified and the
- 24 following information, which the parties shall disclose to
- 25 the court:
- 26 (1) The names of the custodial and non-custodial
- 27 parents and of the child or children covered by the
- 28 order.
- 29 (2) The dates of birth of the custodial and
- 30 non-custodial parents and of the child or children
- 31 covered by the order.
- 32 (3) The social security numbers of the custodial
- and non-custodial parents and of the child or children

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- 2 (4) The residential and mailing addresses for the 3 custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 4 (5) The telephone numbers for the custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 6 (6) The driver's license numbers for the custodial and non-custodial parents.
- 8 (7) The name, address, and telephone number of each parent's employer or employers.
- 10 When an order for support is entered or modified under
 11 this Act after June 30, 2002, the clerk shall provide the
 12 information to the Department of Public Aid within 5 business
 13 days, and the Department shall promptly transmit the
 14 information to the State Case Registry.
- 15 (b) When a child support order is entered or modified
 16 before July 1, 2002 for a case in which a party is receiving
 17 child and spouse support services under Article X of the
 18 Illinois Public Aid Code, the clerk shall provide the State
 19 Case Registry with the following information:
- 20 (1) The information specified in subsection (a) of 21 this Section.
 - (2) The amount of monthly or other periodic support owed under the order and other amounts, including arrearages, interest, or late payment penalties and fees, due or overdue under the order.
 - (3) Any amounts described in subdivision (2) of this subsection (b) that have been received by the clerk.
- 28 (4) The distribution of the amounts received by the clerk.
- 30 When a child support order is entered or modified after
 31 June 30, 2002 for a case in which a party is receiving child
 32 and spouse support services under Article X of the Illinois
 33 Public Aid Code, the clerk shall provide the information to
 34 the Department of Public Aid, and the Department shall

- 1 promptly transmit the information to the State Case Registry.
- 2 (b-5) When the clerk provides information to the
- 3 Department of Public Aid under subsection (b), the Department
- 4 shall determine whether the State Disbursement Unit
- 5 <u>established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid</u>
- 6 Code has received any amounts described in subdivision
- 7 (b)(2). If the State Disbursement Unit has received any such
- 8 amounts, the Department of Public Aid shall cause the
- 9 <u>following information to be provided to the Registry:</u>
- 10 <u>(1) All such amounts received by the State</u>
- 11 <u>Disbursement Unit.</u>
- 12 (2) The distribution of those amounts.
- 13 (c) The parties affected by the order shall inform the
- 14 clerk of court of any change of address or of other condition
- that may affect the administration of the order.
- 16 (d) To the extent that updated information is in the
- 17 clerk's possession, the clerk shall provide updates of the
- 18 information specified in subsection (b) of this Section
- 19 within 5 business days after the Illinois Department of
- 20 Public Aid's request for that updated information.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)
- 22 (750 ILCS 45/15) (from Ch. 40, par. 2515)
- 23 Sec. 15. Enforcement of Judgment or Order.
- 24 (a) If existence of the parent and child relationship is
- 25 declared, or paternity or duty of support has been
- 26 established under this Act or under prior law or under the
- 27 law of any other jurisdiction, the judgment rendered
- 28 thereunder may be enforced in the same or other proceedings
- 29 by any party or any person or agency that has furnished or
- 30 may furnish financial assistance or services to the child.
- 31 The Income Withholding for Support Act and Sections 14 and 16
- of this Act shall also be applicable with respect to entry,
- 33 modification and enforcement of any support judgment entered

- under provisions of the "Paternity Act", approved July 5, 1957, as amended, repealed July 1, 1985.
- 3 (b) Failure to comply with any order of the court shall
 4 be punishable as contempt as in other cases of failure to
 5 comply under the "Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of
 6 Marriage Act", as now or hereafter amended. In addition to
 7 other penalties provided by law, the court may, after finding
 8 the party guilty of contempt, order that the party be:
 - (1) Placed on probation with such conditions of probation as the court deems advisable;

(2) Sentenced to periodic imprisonment for a period not to exceed 6 months. However, the court may permit the party to be released for periods of time during the day or night to work or conduct business or other self-employed occupation.

The court may further order any part of all the earnings of a party during a sentence of periodic imprisonment to be paid to the Clerk of the Circuit Court (before July 1, 2002), to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002), or to the person or parent having custody of the minor child for the support of said child until further order of the court.

of a person, persons, or business entity to discover assets of a non-custodial parent held in the name of that person, those persons, or that business entity if there is a unity of interest and ownership sufficient to render no financial separation between the non-custodial parent and that person, those persons, or the business entity. The following circumstances are sufficient for a court to order discovery of the assets of a person, persons, or business entity and to compel the application of any discovered assets toward payment on the judgment for

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- (A) the non-custodial parent and the person, persons, or business entity maintain records together.
 - (B) the non-custodial parent and the person, persons, or business entity fail to maintain an arms length relationship between themselves with regard to any assets.
 - (C) the non-custodial parent transfers assets to the person, persons, or business entity with the intent to perpetrate a fraud on the custodial parent.

With respect to assets which are real property, no order entered under this subdivision (2.5) shall affect the rights of bona fide purchasers, mortgagees, judgment creditors, or other lien holders who acquire their interests in the property prior to the time a notice of lis pendens pursuant to 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.

(3) The court may also order that in cases where party is 90 days or more delinquent in payment of support or has been adjudicated in arrears in an amount equal to 90 days obligation or more, that the party's Illinois driving privileges be suspended until the court determines that the party is in compliance with the judgement or duty of support. The court may also order that the parent be issued a family financial responsibility driving permit that would allow limited driving privileges for employment and medical purposes in accordance with Section 7-702.1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. The clerk of the circuit court shall certify the order suspending the driving privileges of the parent or 1 granting the issuance of a family financial 2 responsibility driving permit to the Secretary of State on forms prescribed by the Secretary. Upon receipt of the 3 4 authenticated documents, the Secretary of State shall suspend the party's driving privileges until further 5 order of the court and shall, if ordered by the court, 6 subject to the provisions of Section 7-702.1 of the 7 8 Illinois Vehicle Code, issue a family financial 9 responsibility driving permit to the parent.

In addition to the penalties or punishment that may be 10 11 imposed under this Section, any person whose conduct constitutes a violation of Section 15 1 of the Non-Support 12 Punishment of-Spouse-and-Children Act may be prosecuted under 13 that Act Seetien, and a person convicted under that Act 14 15 Seetion may be sentenced in accordance with that Act Seetion. 16 The sentence may include but need not be limited to a requirement that the person perform community service under 17 Section 50 subsection-(b) of that Act Section or participate 18 19 in a work alternative program under Section 50 subsection-(e) of that Act Section. A person may not be required to 20 21 participate in a work alternative program under Section 50 subsection-(e) of that Act Section if the person is currently 22 23 participating in a work program pursuant to Section 15.1 of

- 25 (c) In any post-judgment proceeding to enforce or modify 26 the judgment the parties shall continue to be designated as 27 in the original proceeding.
- 28 (Source: P.A. 90-476, eff. 1-1-98; 90-673, eff. 1-1-99;
- 29 90-733, eff. 8-11-98; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; revised
- 30 10-13-99.)

this Act.

- 31 (750 ILCS 45/21) (from Ch. 40, par. 2521)
- 32 Sec. 21. Support payments; receiving and disbursing
- 33 agents.

1 (1)In an action filed in a county of less than 3 2 million population in which an order for child support is entered, and in supplementary proceedings in such a county to 3 4 enforce or vary the terms of such order arising out of action filed in such a county, the court, except in actions 5 or supplementary proceedings in which the pregnancy and 6 7 delivery expenses of the mother or the child support payments 8 are for a recipient of aid under the Illinois Public Aid 9 Code, shall direct that child support payments be made to the clerk of the court (before July 1, 2002) or to the State 10 Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the 11 Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002) unless in the 12 13 discretion of the court exceptional circumstances warrant otherwise. In cases where payment is to be made to persons 14 other than the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement 15 16 Unit the judgment or order of support shall set forth the facts of the exceptional circumstances. 17

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Before July 1, 2002, in an action filed in a county of 3 million or more population in which an order for child support is entered, and in supplementary proceedings in such a county to enforce or vary the terms of such 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 support payments are for a recipient of aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, shall direct that child support payments be made either to the clerk of the court or to the Court Service Division of the County Department of Public Aid, or to the clerk of the court or to the Illinois Department of Public Aid, unless in the discretion of the court exceptional circumstances warrant otherwise. After June 30, 2002, the court, except in actions or supplementary proceedings in which the pregnancy and delivery expenses of the mother or the child support payments are for a recipient of aid under

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Where the action or supplementary proceeding is in behalf of a mother for pregnancy and delivery expenses or for child support, or both, and the mother, child, or both, recipients of aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, the court shall order that the payments be made directly to the Illinois Department of Public Aid if the mother or child, both, are recipients under Articles IV or V of the Code, or (b) the local governmental unit responsible support of the mother or child, or both, if they are recipients under Articles VI or VII of the Code. accordance with federal law and regulations, the Illinois Department of Public Aid may continue to collect current maintenance payments or child support payments, or both, after those persons cease to receive public assistance and until termination of services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code. The Illinois Department of Public Aid shall pay the net amount collected to those persons after deducting any costs incurred in making the collection or any collection the amount of any recovery made. The Illinois fee from Department of Public Aid or the local governmental unit, the case may be, may direct that payments be made directly to the mother of the child, or to some other person or agency in the child's behalf, upon the removal of the mother and child from the public aid rolls or upon termination of services under Article X of the Illinois Public Aid Code; and upon such direction, the Illinois Department or the local

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governmental unit, as the case requires, shall give notice of such action to the court in writing or by electronic transmission.

Before July 1, 2002, all clerks of the court and the (4) Court Service Division of a County Department of Public Aid and the Illinois Department of Public Aid, receiving child support payments under <u>subsection</u> paragraphs (1) or (2) shall disburse the same to the person or persons entitled thereto under the terms of the order. After June 30, 2002, when the State Disbursement Unit or the Department of Public Aid receives a child support payment under subsection (1) or (2) of this Section, the Unit or Department shall disburse the payment to the person or persons entitled to the payment under the terms of the order. They shall establish and maintain clear and current records of all moneys received and disbursed and of defaults and delinquencies in required payments. The court, by order or rule, shall make provision for the carrying out of these duties.

notification in writing or by electronic Upon transmission from the Illinois Department of Public Aid to the clerk of the court and (after June 30, 2002) the State Disbursement Unit that a person who is receiving support payments under this Section is receiving services under the Child Support Enforcement Program established by Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, any support payments subsequently received by the clerk of the court or the State Disbursement <u>Unit</u> shall be transmitted in accordance with the instructions of the Illinois Department of Public Aid until the Department gives notice to cease the transmittal. After providing the notification authorized under this paragraph, the Illinois Department of Public Aid shall be entitled as a party to notice of any further proceedings in the case. The clerk of the court shall file a copy of the Illinois Department of Public Aid's notification in the court file. The failure of

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file shall not, however, affect the Illinois Department of

3 Public Aid's right to receive notice of further proceedings.

Payments under this Section to the Illinois Department of Public Aid 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. Disbursement from these funds shall be as provided in the Illinois Public Aid Code. Payments received by a local governmental unit shall be deposited in that unit's General

- (5) The moneys received by persons or agencies designated by the court shall be disbursed by them in accordance with the order. However, the court, on petition of the state's attorney, may enter new orders designating the clerk of the court or the Illinois Department of Public Aid, as the person or agency authorized to receive and disburse child support payments and, in the case of recipients of public aid, the court, on petition of the Attorney General or State's Attorney, shall direct subsequent payments to be paid to the Illinois Department of Public Aid or appropriate local governmental unit, as provided in paragraph (3). Payments of child support by principals or sureties on bonds, or proceeds of any sale for the enforcement of a shall be made to the clerk of the court, the judgment Illinois Department of Public Aid or the appropriate local governmental unit, as the respective provisions of this Section require.
- 31 (6) For those cases in which child support is payable to 32 the clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or the 33 State Disbursement Unit (after June 30, 2002) for transmittal 34 to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of court or

- 1 upon notification by the Illinois Department of Public Aid,
- 2 the clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall transmit all such
- 3 payments, within 4 working days of receipt, to insure that
- 4 funds are available for immediate distribution by the
- 5 Department to the person or entity entitled thereto in
- 6 accordance with standards of the Child Support Enforcement
- 7 Program established under Title IV-D of the Social Security
- 8 Act. The clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall notify the
- 9 Department of the date of receipt and amount thereof at the
- 10 time of transmittal. Where the clerk or State Disbursement
- 11 <u>Unit</u> has entered into an agreement of cooperation with the
- 12 Department to record the terms of child support orders and
- 13 payments made thereunder directly into the Department's
- 14 automated data processing system, the clerk <u>or State</u>
- 15 <u>Disbursement Unit</u> shall account for, transmit and otherwise
- 16 distribute child support payments in accordance with such
- 17 agreement in lieu of the requirements contained herein.
- 18 (7) To the extent the provisions of this Section are
- 19 inconsistent with the requirements pertaining to the State
- 20 Disbursement Unit under Section 21.1 of this Act and Section
- 21 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, the requirements <u>under</u>
- 22 <u>those Sections</u> pertaining--to--the--State-Disbursement-Unit
- 23 shall apply.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 90-18, eff. 7-1-97; 90-673, eff. 1-1-99;
- 25 90-790, eff. 8-14-98; 91-24, eff. 7-1-99; 91-212, eff.
- 26 7-20-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; revised 9-1-99.)
- 27 (750 ILCS 45/22) (from Ch. 40, par. 2522)
- 28 Sec. 22. <u>Public Aid collection fee.</u> In all cases
- 29 instituted by the Illinois Department of Public Aid on behalf
- 30 of a child or spouse, other than one receiving a grant of
- 31 financial aid under Article IV of the Illinois Public Aid
- 32 Code, on whose behalf an application has been made and
- 33 approved for support services as provided by Section 10-1 of

- 1 that Code, the court shall impose a collection fee on the 2 individual who owes a child or spouse support obligation in an amount equal to 10% of the amount so owed as long as such 3 4 collection is required by federal law, which fee shall be in addition to the support obligation. The imposition of such 5 fee shall be in accordance with provisions of Title IV, Part 6 7 D, of the Social Security Act and regulations 8 promulgated thereunder. The fee shall be payable to the 9 clerk of the circuit court (before July 1, 2002) or to the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of 10 the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002) for 11 transmittal to the Illinois Department of Public Aid and 12 13 shall continue until support services are terminated by that 14 Department.

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(Source: P.A. 83-1372.)

received by Illinois Department of Public Aid for--Recording. 18 19 For those cases in which support is payable to the clerk of 20 the circuit court or the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code for 21 22 transmittal to the Illinois Department of Public Aid by order of court, and the Illinois Department of Public Aid collects 23 24 support by assignment offset, withhold, deduction or other process permitted by law, the Illinois Department of Public 25 26 Aid shall notify the clerk or State Disbursement Unit of the

Sec. 23. Notice to--Clerk--of-Circuit-Court of payment

(750 ILCS 45/23) (from Ch. 40, par. 2523)

28 clerk or State Disbursement Unit shall record the collection

date and amount of such collection. Upon notification,

- on the payment record for the case.
- 30 (Source: P.A. 83-1372.)
- 31 Section 50. The Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986
- is amended by changing Section 214 as follows:

- 1 (750 ILCS 60/214) (from Ch. 40, par. 2312-14)
- 2 Sec. 214. Order of protection; remedies.

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- of order. If the court finds that 3 (a) Issuance 4 petitioner has been abused by a family or household member or that petitioner is a high-risk adult who has been abused, 5 neglected, or exploited, as defined in this Act, an order of 6 7 protection prohibiting the abuse, neglect, or exploitation 8 shall issue; provided that petitioner must also satisfy the 9 requirements of one of the following Sections, appropriate: Section 217 on emergency orders, Section 218 on 10 11 interim orders, or Section 219 on plenary orders. Petitioner shall not be denied an order of protection because petitioner 12 or respondent is a minor. The court, when determining whether 13 or not to issue an order of protection, shall not require 14 15 physical manifestations of abuse on the person of the victim. 16 Modification and extension of prior orders of protection shall be in accordance with this Act. 17
 - (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. Prohibit respondent's harassment, interference with personal liberty, intimidation of a dependent, physical abuse, or willful deprivation, neglect or exploitation, as defined in this Act, or stalking of the petitioner, as defined in Section 12-7.3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, if such abuse, neglect, exploitation, or stalking has occurred or otherwise appears likely to occur if not prohibited.
 - (2) Grant of exclusive possession of residence.

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Prohibit respondent from entering or remaining in any residence or household of the petitioner, including one owned or leased by respondent, if petitioner has a right to occupancy thereof. The grant of exclusive possession of the residence shall not affect title to real property, nor shall the court be limited by the standard set forth in Section 701 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

- (A) Right to occupancy. A party has a right to occupancy of a residence or household if it is solely or jointly owned or leased by that party, that party's spouse, a person with a legal duty to support that party or a minor child in that party's care, or by any person or entity other than the opposing party that authorizes that party's occupancy (e.g., a domestic violence shelter). Standards set forth in subparagraph (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 the risk of abuse (should petitioner remain at residence or household) or from loss of the possession of the residence or household (should petitioner leave to avoid the risk of abuse). When determining the balance of hardships, the court shall also take into account the accessibility of the residence or household. Hardships need not be balanced if respondent does not have a right to

occupancy.

The balance of hardships is presumed to favor possession by petitioner unless the presumption is rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence, showing that the hardships to respondent substantially outweigh the hardships to petitioner and any minor child or dependent adult in petitioner's care. The court, on the request of petitioner or on its own motion, may order respondent to provide suitable, accessible, alternate housing for petitioner instead of excluding respondent from a mutual residence or household.

Order respondent to stay away from petitioner or any other person protected by the order of protection, or prohibit respondent from entering or remaining present at petitioner's school, place of employment, or other 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.

If an order of protection grants petitioner exclusive possession of the residence, or prohibits respondent from entering the residence, or orders respondent to stay away from petitioner or other protected persons, then the court may allow respondent access to the residence to remove items of clothing and personal adornment used exclusively by respondent, medications, and other items as the court directs. The right to access shall be exercised on only one occasion as the court directs and in the presence of an agreed-upon adult third party or law enforcement officer.

(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, mental health center guidance counselor, agency providing services to elders, program designed for domestic violence abusers or any other guidance service the court deems appropriate.

(5) Physical care and possession of the minor child. In order to protect the minor child from abuse, neglect, or unwarranted separation from the person who has been the minor child's primary caretaker, or to otherwise protect the well-being of the minor child, the court may do either or both of the following: (i) grant petitioner physical care or possession of the minor child, or both, or (ii) order respondent to return a minor child to, or not remove a minor child from, the physical care of a parent or person 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 Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Illinois Parentage Act of 1984, and this State's Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction 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.

(7) Visitation. Determine the visitation rights, if any, of respondent in any case in which the court

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awards physical care or temporary legal custody of a minor child to petitioner. The court shall restrict or deny respondent's visitation with a minor child if the court finds that respondent has done or is likely to do any of the following: (i) abuse or endanger the minor child during visitation; (ii) use the visitation as opportunity to abuse or harass petitioner or petitioner's family or household members; (iii) improperly conceal or detain the minor child; or (iv) otherwise act in a manner that is not in the best interests of the minor child. The court shall not be limited by the standards set forth in Section 607.1 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. If the court grants visitation, the order shall specify dates and times for the visitation to take place or other specific parameters or conditions that are appropriate. No order for visitation shall refer merely to the term "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.

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) Removal or concealment of minor child. Prohibit respondent from removing a minor child from the State or

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- (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 the property; 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 is that it is marital property, the court may award petitioner temporary possession thereof under the standards of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph only if a proper proceeding has been filed under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or hereafter amended.

No order under this provision shall affect title to 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:
- 33 (i) petitioner, but not respondent, owns the property; or

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(ii) the parties own the property jointly, and
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If petitioner's sole claim to ownership of the property is that it is marital property, the court may grant petitioner relief under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph only if a proper proceeding has been filed under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as 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 advantage of respondent or of any other person.

- (12) Order payment of for 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 (before July 1, 2002) or the State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code (after June 30, 2002), 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.
- (13) Order for payment of losses. Order respondent to pay petitioner for losses suffered as a direct result of the abuse, neglect, or exploitation. Such losses shall include, but not be limited to, medical expenses,

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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.

- (i) Losses affecting family needs. If a party is entitled to seek maintenance, child support or property distribution from the other party under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act, as now or hereafter amended, the court may order respondent to reimburse petitioner's actual losses, to the extent that such reimbursement would be "appropriate temporary relief", as authorized by subsection (a)(3) of Section 501 of that Act.
- (ii) Recovery of expenses. In the case of an improper concealment or removal of a minor child, the court may order respondent to pay the reasonable expenses incurred or to be incurred in the search for and recovery of the minor child, including but not limited to legal fees, court costs, private 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.
 - (14.5) Prohibition of firearm possession.
 - (a) When a complaint is made under a request for an order of protection, that the respondent has threatened or is likely to use firearms illegally against the petitioner, and the respondent is present in court, or has failed to appear after receiving actual notice, the court shall examine on

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oath the petitioner, and any witnesses who may be produced. If the court is satisfied that there is any danger of the illegal use of firearms, it shall issue an order that any firearms in the possession of the respondent, except as provided in subsection (b), be turned over to the local law enforcement agency for safekeeping. If the respondent has failed to appear, the court shall issue a warrant for seizure of any firearm in the possession of the respondent. The period of safekeeping shall be for a stated period of time not to exceed 2 years. firearm or firearms shall be returned to t.he respondent at the end of the stated period or at expiration of the order of protection, whichever is sooner.

- (b) If the respondent is a peace officer as defined in Section 2-13 of the Criminal Code of 1961, the court shall order that any firearms used by the respondent in the performance of his or her duties as a peace officer be surrendered to the chief law enforcement executive of the agency in which the respondent is employed, who shall retain the firearms for safekeeping for the stated period not to exceed 2 years as set forth in the court 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 attempting to inspect or obtain, school or any other records of the minor child

who is in the care of petitioner.

- (16) Order for payment of shelter services. Order respondent to reimburse a shelter providing temporary housing and counseling services to the petitioner for the cost of the services, as certified by the shelter and deemed reasonable by the court.
- relief necessary or appropriate to prevent further abuse of a family or household member or further abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a high-risk adult with disabilities or to effectuate one of the granted remedies, if supported by the balance of hardships. If the harm to be prevented by the injunction is abuse or any other harm that one of the remedies listed in paragraphs (1) through (16) of this subsection is designed to prevent, no further evidence is necessary 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, neglect or exploitation 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 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 or neglected or improperly removed from the jurisdiction, improperly concealed within the State

1	or improperly separated from the child's primary
2	caretaker.
3	(2) In comparing relative hardships resulting to
4	the parties from loss of possession of the family home,
5	the court shall consider relevant factors, including but
6	not limited to the following:
7	(i) availability, accessibility, cost, safety,
8	adequacy, location and other characteristics of
9	alternate housing for each party and any minor child
10	or dependent adult in the party's care;
11	(ii) the effect on the party's employment; and
12	(iii) the effect on the relationship of the
13	party, and any minor child or dependent adult in the
14	party's care, to family, school, church and
15	community.
16	(3) Subject to the exceptions set forth in
17	paragraph (4) of this subsection, the court shall make
18	its findings in an official record or in writing, and
19	shall at a minimum set forth the following:
20	(i) That the court has considered the
21	applicable relevant factors described in paragraphs
22	(1) and (2) of this subsection.
23	(ii) Whether the conduct or actions of
24	respondent, unless prohibited, will likely cause
25	irreparable harm or continued abuse.
26	(iii) Whether it is necessary to grant the
27	requested relief in order to protect petitioner or
28	other alleged abused persons.
29	(4) For purposes of issuing an ex parte emergency
30	order of protection, the court, as an alternative to or
31	as a supplement to making the findings described in
32	paragraphs $(c)(3)(i)$ through $(c)(3)(iii)$ of this
33	subsection, may use the following procedure:
34	When a verified petition for an emergency order of

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protection in accordance with the requirements of Sections 203 and 217 is presented to the court, the court shall examine petitioner on oath or affirmation. An emergency order of protection shall be issued by the court if it appears from the contents of the petition and the examination of petitioner that the averments are sufficient to indicate abuse by respondent and to support the granting of relief under the issuance of the emergency 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, the Illinois Public Aid Code, Section 12 of the Vital Records Act, the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, the Probate Act of 1985, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, the Expedited Child Support Act of 1990, any judicial, administrative, or other act of another state or territory, any other Illinois statute, or by any foreign nation establishing the father and child relationship, any other proceeding substantially in conformity with the Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-193), or where both parties appeared in open court or at an administrative hearing acknowledging under oath or admitting by affirmation the existence of child relationship. Absent such an father and adjudication, finding, or acknowledgement, 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.
- (d) Balance of hardships; findings. If the court finds

- 1 that the balance of hardships does not support the granting
- of a remedy governed by paragraph (2), (3), (10), (11), or
- 3 (16) of subsection (b) of this Section, which may require
- 4 such balancing, the court's findings shall so indicate and
- 5 shall include a finding as to whether granting the remedy
- 6 will result in hardship to respondent that would
- 7 substantially outweigh the hardship to petitioner from denial
- 8 of the remedy. The findings shall be an official record or in
- 9 writing.
- 10 (e) Denial of remedies. Denial of any remedy shall not
- 11 be based, in whole or in part, on evidence that:
- 12 (1) Respondent has cause for any use of force,
- unless that cause satisfies the standards for justifiable
- 14 use of force provided by Article VII of the Criminal Code
- 15 of 1961;
- 16 (2) Respondent was voluntarily intoxicated;
- 17 (3) Petitioner acted in self-defense or defense of
- another, provided that, if petitioner utilized force,
- 19 such force was justifiable under Article VII of the
- 20 Criminal Code of 1961;
- 21 (4) Petitioner did not act in self-defense or
- defense of another;
- 23 (5) Petitioner left the residence or household to
- 24 avoid further abuse, neglect, or exploitation by
- 25 respondent;
- 26 (6) Petitioner did not leave the residence or
- 27 household to avoid further abuse, neglect, or
- 28 exploitation by respondent;
- 29 (7) Conduct by any family or household member
- 30 excused the abuse, neglect, or exploitation by
- 31 respondent, unless that same conduct would have excused
- 32 such abuse, neglect, or exploitation if the parties had
- not been family or household members.
- 34 (Source: P.A. 89-367, eff. 1-1-96; 90-118, eff. 1-1-98.)

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