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AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2725

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2725 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by changing Sections 2-1402, 12-705, 12-706, 12-707, 12-715, 12-805, 12-806, 12-807, and 12-808 as follows:

(735 ILCS 5/2-1402) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-1402)

Sec. 2-1402. Supplementary proceedings.

(a) A judgment creditor, or his or her successor in interest when that interest is made to appear of record, is entitled to prosecute supplementary proceedings for the purposes of examining the judgment debtor or any other person to discover assets or income of the debtor not exempt from the enforcement of the judgment, a deduction order or garnishment, and of compelling the application of non-exempt assets or income discovered toward the payment of the amount due under

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the judgment. A supplementary proceeding shall be commenced by the service of a citation issued by the clerk. If third party respondent is a corporation or company authorized to do business in Illinois, service of a citation shall be at the corporation or company's main Illinois administrative office. The procedure for conducting supplementary proceedings shall be prescribed by rules. It is not a prerequisite to the commencement of a supplementary proceeding that a certified copy of the judgment has been returned wholly or partly unsatisfied. All citations issued by the clerk shall have the following language, or language substantially similar thereto, stated prominently on the front, in capital letters: "YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT AS HEREIN DIRECTED MAY CAUSE YOU TO BE ARRESTED AND BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT TO ANSWER TO A CHARGE OF CONTEMPT OF COURT, WHICH MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL." The court shall not grant a continuance of the supplementary proceeding except upon good cause shown.

(b) Any citation served upon a judgment debtor or any other person shall include a certification by the attorney for the judgment creditor or the judgment creditor setting forth the amount of the judgment, the date of the judgment, or its revival date, the balance due thereon, the name of the court, and the number of the case, and a copy of the citation notice required by this subsection. Whenever a citation is served upon a person or party other than the judgment debtor, the officer or person serving the citation shall send to the judgment

| Τ  | debtor, within three business days of the service upon the      |
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| 2  | cited party, a copy of the citation and the citation notice,    |
| 3  | which may be sent by regular first-class mail to the judgment   |
| 4  | debtor's last known address. In no event shall a citation       |
| 5  | hearing be held sooner than five business days after the        |
| 6  | mailing of the citation and citation notice to the judgment     |
| 7  | debtor, except by agreement of the parties. The citation notice |
| 8  | need not be mailed to a corporation, partnership, or            |
| 9  | association. The citation notice shall be in substantially the  |
| 10 | following form:   |
| 11 | "CITATION NOTICE  |
| 12 | (Name and address of Court)                                     |
| 13 | Name of Case: (Name of Judgment Creditor),                      |
| 14 | Judgment Creditor v.  |
| 15 | (Name of Judgment Debtor),                                      |
| 16 | Judgment Debtor.  |
| 17 | Address of Judgment Debtor: (Insert last known                  |
| 18 | address)  |
| 19 | Name and address of Attorney for Judgment                       |
| 20 | Creditor or of Judgment Creditor (If no                         |
| 21 | attorney is listed): (Insert name and address)                  |
| 22 | Amount of Judgment: \$ (Insert amount)                          |
| 23 | Name of Person Receiving Citation: (Insert name)                |
| 24 | Court Date and Time: (Insert return date and time               |
| 25 | specified in citation)  |
| 26 | NOTICE: The court has issued a citation against the person      |

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named above. The citation directs that person to appear in court to be examined for the purpose of allowing the judgment creditor to discover income and assets belonging to the judgment debtor or in which the judgment debtor has an interest. The citation was issued on the basis of a judgment against the judgment debtor in favor of the judgment creditor in the amount stated above. On or after the court date stated above, the court may compel the application of any discovered income or assets toward payment on the judgment.

The amount of income or assets that may be applied toward the judgment is limited by federal and Illinois law. The JUDGMENT DEBTOR HAS THE RIGHT TO ASSERT STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS AGAINST CERTAIN INCOME OR ASSETS OF THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR WHICH MAY NOT BE USED TO SATISFY THE JUDGMENT IN THE AMOUNT STATED ABOVE:

(1) Under Illinois or federal law, the exemptions of personal property owned by the debtor include the debtor's equity interest, not to exceed \$4,000 in value, in any personal property as chosen by the debtor; Social Security and SSI benefits; public assistance benefits; unemployment compensation benefits; worker's compensation benefits; veteran's benefits; circuit breaker property tax relief benefits; the debtor's equity interest, not to exceed \$2,400 in value, in any one motor vehicle, and the debtor's equity interest, not to exceed \$1,500 in value, in any implements, professional books, or tools of the trade of

1 the debtor.

- (2) Under Illinois law, every person is entitled to an estate in homestead, when it is owned and occupied as a residence, to the extent in value of \$15,000, which homestead is exempt from judgment.
- (3) Under Illinois law, the amount of wages that may be applied toward a judgment is limited to the lesser of (i) 15% of gross weekly wages or (ii) the amount by which disposable earnings for a week exceed the total of 45 times the federal minimum hourly wage or, under a wage deduction summons served on or after January 1, 2006, the Illinois minimum hourly wage, whichever is greater.
- (4) Under federal law, the amount of wages that may be applied toward a judgment is limited to the lesser of (i) 25% of disposable earnings for a week or (ii) the amount by which disposable earnings for a week exceed 30 times the federal minimum hourly wage.
- (5) Pension and retirement benefits and refunds may be claimed as exempt under Illinois law.
- The judgment debtor may have other possible exemptions under the law.

THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR HAS THE RIGHT AT THE CITATION HEARING TO DECLARE EXEMPT CERTAIN INCOME OR ASSETS OR BOTH. The judgment debtor also has the right to seek a declaration at an earlier date, by notifying the clerk in writing at (insert address of clerk). When so notified, the Clerk of the Court

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- will obtain a prompt hearing date from the court and will provide the necessary forms that must be prepared by the judgment debtor or the attorney for the judgment debtor and sent to the judgment creditor and the judgment creditor's attorney regarding the time and location of the hearing. This notice may be sent by regular first class mail."
  - (c) When assets or income of the judgment debtor not exempt from the satisfaction of a judgment, a deduction order or garnishment are discovered, the court may, by appropriate order or judgment:
    - (1) Compel the judgment debtor to deliver up, to be applied in satisfaction of the judgment, in whole or in part, money, choses in action, property or effects in his or her possession or control, so discovered, capable of delivery and to which his or her title or right of possession is not substantially disputed.
    - (2) Compel the judgment debtor to pay to the judgment creditor or apply on the judgment, in installments, a portion of his or her income, however or whenever earned or acquired, as the court may deem proper, having due regard for the reasonable requirements of the judgment debtor and his or her family, if dependent upon him or her, as well as any payments required to be made by prior order of court or under wage assignments outstanding; provided that the judgment debtor shall not be compelled to pay income which would be considered exempt as wages under the Wage

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Deduction Statute. The court may modify an order for installment payments, from time to time, upon application of either party upon notice to the other.

- (3) Compel any person cited, other than the judgment debtor, to deliver up any assets so discovered, to be applied in satisfaction of the judgment, in whole or in part, when those assets are held under such circumstances that in an action by the judgment debtor he or she could recover them in specie or obtain a judgment for the value thereof as for conversion proceeds or embezzlement. A judgment creditor may recover a corporate judgment debtor's property on behalf of the judgment debtor for use of the judgment creditor by filing an appropriate petition within the citation proceedings.
- (4) Enter any order upon or judgment against the person cited that could be entered in any garnishment proceeding.
- (5) Compel any person cited to execute an assignment of any chose in action or a conveyance of title to real or personal property or resign memberships in exchanges, clubs, or other entities in the same manner and to the same extent as a court could do in any proceeding by a judgment creditor to enforce payment of a judgment or in aid of the enforcement of a judgment.
- (6) Authorize the judgment creditor to maintain an action against any person or corporation that, it appears upon proof satisfactory to the court, is indebted to the

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judgment debtor, for the recovery of the debt, forbid the transfer or other disposition of the debt until an action can be commenced and prosecuted to judgment, direct that the papers or proof in the possession or control of the debtor and necessary in the prosecution of the action be delivered to the creditor or impounded in court, and provide for the disposition of any moneys in excess of the sum required to pay the judgment creditor's judgment and costs allowed by the court.

- (d) No order or judgment shall be entered under subsection (c) in favor of the judgment creditor unless there appears of record a certification of mailing showing that a copy of the citation and a copy of the citation notice was mailed to the judgment debtor as required by subsection (b).
- (e) All property ordered to be delivered up shall, except as otherwise provided in this Section, be delivered to the sheriff to be collected by the sheriff or sold at public sale and the proceeds thereof applied towards the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the judgment. If the judgment debtor's property is of such a nature that it is not readily delivered up to the sheriff for public sale or if another method of sale is more appropriate to liquidate the property or enhance its value at sale, the court may order the sale of such property by the debtor, third party respondent, or by a selling agent other than the sheriff upon such terms as are just and equitable. The proceeds of sale, after deducting reasonable and necessary

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expenses, are to be turned over to the creditor and applied to the balance due on the judgment.

> (f) (1) The citation may prohibit the party to whom it is directed from making or allowing any transfer or other disposition of, or interfering with, any property not exempt from the enforcement of a judgment therefrom, a deduction order or garnishment, belonging to the judgment debtor or to which he or she may be entitled or which may thereafter be acquired by or become due to him or her, and from paying over or otherwise disposing of any moneys not so exempt which are due or to become due to the judgment debtor, until the further order of the court or the termination of the proceeding, whichever occurs first. The third party may not be obliged to withhold the payment of any moneys beyond double the amount of the balance due sought to be enforced by the judgment creditor. The court may punish any party who intentionally violates the restraining provision of a citation as and for a contempt, or if the party is a third party, the court may enter judgment against the third party him or her in the amount of the of non-exempt money or property (other than wages) owed the judgment debtor in possession or control of the third party or in which the judgment debtor has an interest at the time the citation is served and for such further time the citation is in effect or unpaid portion of the judgment and costs allowable under this Section, or in the

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1 amount of the value of the property transferred, whichever 2 is lesser.

- (2) The court may enjoin any person, whether or not a party to the supplementary proceeding, from making or allowing any transfer or other disposition of, or interference with, the property of the judgment debtor not exempt from the enforcement of a judgment, a deduction order or garnishment, or the property or debt not so exempt concerning which any person is required to attend and be examined until further direction in the premises. The injunction order shall remain in effect until vacated by the court or until the proceeding is terminated, whichever first occurs.
- (g) If it appears that any property, chose in action, credit or effect discovered, or any interest therein, is claimed by any person, the court shall, as in garnishment proceedings, permit or require the claimant to appear and maintain his or her right. The rights of the person cited and the rights of any adverse claimant shall be asserted and determined pursuant to the law relating to garnishment proceedings.
- (h) Costs in proceedings authorized by this Section shall be allowed, assessed and paid in accordance with rules, provided that if the court determines, in its discretion, that costs incurred by the judgment creditor were improperly incurred, those costs shall be paid by the judgment creditor.

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- (i) This Section is in addition to and does not affect enforcement of judgments or proceedings supplementary thereto, by any other methods now or hereafter provided by law.
  - (j) This Section does not grant the power to any court to order installment or other payments from, or compel the sale, delivery, surrender, assignment or conveyance of any property exempt by statute from the enforcement of a judgment thereon, a deduction order, garnishment, attachment, sequestration, process or other levy or seizure.
    - (k) (Blank).
  - (k-5) If the court determines that any property held by a third party respondent is wages pursuant to Section 12-801, the court shall proceed as if a wage deduction proceeding had been filed and proceed to enter such necessary and proper orders as would have been entered in a wage deduction proceeding including but not limited to the granting of the statutory exemptions allowed by Section 12-803 and all other remedies allowed plaintiff and defendant pursuant to Part 8 of Article 12 of this Act.
  - (1) At any citation hearing at which the judgment debtor appears and seeks a declaration that certain of his or her income or assets are exempt, the court shall proceed to determine whether the property which the judgment debtor declares to be exempt is exempt from judgment. At any time before the return date specified on the citation, the judgment debtor may request, in writing, a hearing to declare exempt

certain income and assets by notifying the clerk of the court before that time, using forms as may be provided by the clerk of the court. The clerk of the court will obtain a prompt hearing date from the court and will provide the necessary forms that must be prepared by the judgment debtor or the attorney for the judgment debtor and sent to the judgment creditor, or the judgment creditor's attorney, regarding the time and location of the hearing. This notice may be sent by regular first class mail. At the hearing, the court shall immediately, unless for good cause shown that the hearing is to be continued, shall proceed to determine whether the property which the judgment debtor declares to be exempt is exempt from judgment. The restraining provisions of subsection (f) shall not apply to any property determined by the court to be exempt.

- (m) The judgment or balance due on the judgment becomes a lien when a citation is served in accordance with subsection (a) of this Section. The lien binds nonexempt personal property, including money, choses in action, and effects of the judgment debtor as follows:
  - (1) When the citation is directed against the judgment debtor, upon all personal property belonging to the judgment debtor in the possession or control of the judgment debtor or which may thereafter be acquired or come due to the judgment debtor to the time of the disposition of the citation.
    - (2) When the citation is directed against a third

party, upon all personal property belonging to the judgment debtor in the possession or control of the third party or which thereafter may be acquired or come due the judgment debtor and comes into the possession or control of the

third party to the time of the disposition of the citation.

- The lien established under this Section does not affect the rights of citation respondents in property prior to the service of the citation upon them and does not affect the rights of bona fide purchasers or lenders without notice of the citation.
- The lien is effective for the period specified by Supreme Court Rule.
- This subsection (m), as added by Public Act 88-48, is a declaration of existing law.
- 14 (n) If any provision of this Act or its application to any
  15 person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity of that
  16 provision or application does not affect the provisions or
  17 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
  18 invalid provision or application.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 94-293, eff. 1-1-06; 94-306, eff. 1-1-06; 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-661, eff. 1-1-08.)
- 21 (735 ILCS 5/12-705) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-705)
- 22 Sec. 12-705. Summons.
- 23 (a) Summons shall be returnable not less than 21 nor more 24 than 30 days after the date of issuance. Summons with 4 copies 25 of the interrogatories shall be served and returned as in other

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      civil cases. If the garnishee is served with summons less than
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      local court rules. The summons shall be accompanied by a copy
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      the court that entered the judgment, or by the attorney for the
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      judgment creditor, setting forth the amount of the judgment,
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      the name of the court and the number of the case and one copy of
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      a garnishment notice in substantially the following form:
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              "GARNISHMENT NOTICE
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          Name of Case: (Name of Judgment Creditor),
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              Judgment Creditor v.
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              (Name of Judgement Debtor),
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              Judgment Debtor.
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          Address of Judgment Debtor: (Insert last known address)
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          Name and address of Attorney for Judgment
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          Creditor or of Judgment Creditor (If no
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          attorney is listed): (Insert name and address)
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          Amount of Judgment: $(Insert amount)
          Name of Garnishee: (Insert name)
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          Return Date: (Insert return date specified in summons)
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          NOTICE: The court has issued a garnishment summons against
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      the garnishee named above for money or property (other than
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      wages) belonging to the judgment debtor or in which the
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- 1 judgment debtor has an interest at the time the garnishment
- writ is served on garnishee. The garnishment summons was issued 2
- 3 on the basis of a judgment against the judgment debtor in favor
- 4 of the judgment creditor in the amount stated above.
- 5 The amount of money or property (other than wages) that may
- be garnished is limited by federal and Illinois law. The 6
- judgment debtor has the right to assert statutory exemptions 7
- 8 against certain money or property of the judgment debtor which
- 9 may not be used to satisfy the judgment in the amount stated
- 10 above.
- 11 Under Illinois or federal law, the exemptions of personal
- property owned by the debtor include the debtor's equity 12
- 13 interest, not to exceed \$4,000 in value, in any personal
- 14 property as chosen by the debtor; Social Security and SSI
- 15 benefits; public assistance benefits; unemployment
- 16 benefits; workers' compensation compensation benefits;
- 17 veterans' benefits; circuit breaker property tax relief
- benefits; the debtor's equity interest, not to exceed \$2,400 in 18
- 19 value, in any one motor vehicle, and the debtor's equity
- 20 interest, not to exceed \$1,500 in value, in any implements,
- professional books or tools of the trade of the debtor. 21
- 22 The judgment debtor may have other possible exemptions from
- 23 garnishment under the law.
- 24 The judgment debtor has the right to request a hearing
- 25 before the court to dispute the garnishment or to declare
- 26 exempt from garnishment certain money or property or both. To

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obtain a hearing in counties with a population of 1,000,000 or more, the judgment debtor must notify the Clerk of the Court in person and in writing at (insert address of Clerk) before the return date specified above or appear in court on the date and time on that return date. To obtain a hearing in counties with a population of less than 1,000,000, the judgment debtor must notify the Clerk of the Court in writing at (insert address of Clerk) on or before the return date specified above. The Clerk of the Court will provide a hearing date and the necessary forms that must be prepared by the judgment debtor or the attorney for the judgment debtor and sent to the judgment creditor and the garnishee regarding the time and location of the hearing. This notice may be sent by regular first class mail."

(b) An officer or other person authorized by law to serve process shall serve the summons, interrogatories and the garnishment notice required by subsection (a) of this Section upon the garnishee and shall, (1) within 2 business days of the service upon the garnishee, mail a copy of the garnishment notice and the summons to the judgment debtor by first class mail at the judgment debtor's address indicated in the garnishment notice and (2) within 4 business days of the service upon the garnishee file with the clerk of the court a certificate of mailing in substantially the following form:

"CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that, within 2 business days of service

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- 1 upon the garnishee of the garnishment summons, interrogatories
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- 3 this cause a copy of the garnishment summons and garnishment
- 4 notice by first class mail to the judgment debtor's address as
- 5 indicated in the garnishment notice.
- 6 Date:.....
- 7 Signature"

In the case of service of the summons for garnishment upon the garnishee by certified or registered mail, as provided in subsection (c) of this Section, no sooner than 2 business days nor later than 4 business days after the date of mailing, the clerk shall mail a copy of the garnishment notice and the summons to the judgment debtor by first class mail at the judgment debtor's address indicated in the garnishment notice, shall prepare the Certificate of Mailing described by this subsection, and shall include the Certificate of Mailing in a permanent record.

- (c) In a county with a population of less than 1,000,000, unless otherwise provided by circuit court rule, at the request of the judgment creditor or his or her attorney and instead of personal service, service of a summons for garnishment may be made as follows:
- 23 (1) For each garnishee to be served, the judgment 24 creditor or his or her attorney shall pay to the clerk of 25 the court a fee of \$2, plus the cost of mailing, and 26 furnish to the clerk an original and 2 copies of a summons,

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an original and one copy of the interrogatories, an affidavit setting forth the garnishee's mailing address, an original and 2 copies of the garnishment notice required by subsection (a) of this Section, and a copy of the judgment or certification described in subsection (a) of this Section. The original judgment shall be retained by the clerk.

- (2) The clerk shall mail to the garnishee, at the address appearing in the affidavit, the copy of judgment or certification described in subsection (a) of this Section, the summons, the interrogatories, and the garnishment notice required by subsection (a) of this Section, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, showing to whom delivered and the date and address of delivery. This Mailing shall be mailed on a "restricted delivery" basis when service is directed to a natural person. The envelope and return receipt shall bear the return address of the clerk, and the return receipt shall be stamped with the docket number of the case. The receipt for certified or registered mail shall state the name and address of the addressee, the date of the mailing, shall identify the documents mailed, and shall be attached to the original summons.
- (3) The return receipt must be attached to the original summons and, if it shows delivery at least 10 days before the day for the return date, shall constitute proof of

- 1 service of any documents identified on the return receipt 2 as having been mailed.
- (4) The clerk shall note the fact of service in a 3 4 permanent record.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 94-293, eff. 1-1-06.)
- (735 ILCS 5/12-706) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-706) 6
- 7 Sec. 12-706. Conditional judgment. (a) When any person 8 summoned as garnishee (if an individual at garnishee's last 9 known address or if a business at garnishee's main Illinois 10 administrative office) fails to appear and answer as required by Part 7 of Article XII of this Act, the court may enter a 11 12 conditional judgment against the garnishee for the amount due 13 upon the judgment against the judgment debtor. A summons to 14 confirm the conditional judgment may issue against the 15 garnishee, returnable in the same manner as provided in Section 12-705 of this Act, commanding the garnishee to show cause why 16 the judgment should not be made final. If the garnishee, after 17 being served with summons to confirm the conditional judgment 18 19 or after being notified as provided in subsection (b) hereof, fails to appear and answer, the court shall confirm such 20 21 judgment to the amount of the judgment against the judgment 22 debtor and award costs. If the garnishee appears and answers, 23 the same proceedings may be had as in other cases.
- 24 (b) If any garnishee becomes a non-resident, goes out of 25 this State, or is concealed within this State so that the

- 1 summons to confirm the conditional judgment cannot be served 2 upon him or her, upon the filing by the plaintiff or his or her agent of an affidavit as in cases of non-resident defendants in 3 4 attachments, the garnishee may be notified in the same manner 5 as a non-resident defendant in attachment; and upon notice being given to him or her as above stated, he or she may be 6 proceeded against in the same manner as if he or she had been 7 8 personally served with summons to confirm the conditional 9 judgment.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 83-707.)
- (735 ILCS 5/12-707) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-707) 11
- 12 Sec. 12-707. Duties of garnishee.
- (a) To the extent of the amount due upon the judgment and 13 14 costs, the garnishee shall hold, subject to the order of the 15 court any non-exempt indebtedness or other non-exempt property in his or her possession, custody or control belonging to the 16 17 judgment debtor or in which the judgment debtor has any 18 interest. The judgment or balance due thereon, whichever is 19 less, becomes a lien on the indebtedness and other property 20 held by the garnishee at the time of the service of garnishment 21 summons and remains a lien thereon pending the garnishment 22 proceeding.
- 23 (b) The garnishee shall file, on or before the return date, 24 or within the further time that the court for cause may allow, 25 a written answer under oath to the interrogatories, setting

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forth as of the date of service of the garnishment summons any indebtedness due or to become due to the judgment debtor and any other property in his, her or its possession, custody or control belonging to the judgment debtor or in which the judgment debtor has an interest. The garnishee shall mail, by first class mail, a copy of the answer to the judgment creditor or its attorney and to the judgment debtor at the address specified in the affidavit filed under Section 12-701 of this Act, or at any other address or location of the judgment debtor known to the garnishee, and shall certify in the answer that it was so mailed to the judgment debtor.

- (Source: P.A. 87-1252.) 12
- 13 (735 ILCS 5/12-715) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-715)
- 14 Sec. 12-715. Neglect Refusal or neglect of garnishee to 15 deliver property.
  - (a) If a garnishee is served in accordance with this Part 7 and refuses or neglects to deliver property in garnishee's his or her possession when ordered by the court or upon request by the officer holding a certified copy of the judgment for enforcement thereof against the judgment debtor, the garnishee may be attached and punished for contempt; or the court may enter judgment against the garnishee for the value of the property owed the judgment debtor at the time the garnishee is served or the unpaid amount due upon the judgment and costs, whichever is the lesser, and have same enforced against the

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- 2 (Source: P.A. 82-280.)
- 3 (735 ILCS 5/12-805) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-805)
- 4 Sec. 12-805. Summons; Issuance.

(a) Upon the filing by a judgment creditor, its attorney or other designee of (1) an affidavit that the affiant believes any person is indebted to the judgment debtor for wages due or to become due, as provided in Part 8 of Article XII of this Act, and includes the last address of the judgment debtor known to the affiant as well as the name of the judgment debtor, and a certification by the judgment creditor or his attorney that, before filing the affidavit, the wage deduction notice has been mailed to the judgment debtor by first class mail at the judgment debtor's last known address, and (2) interrogatories to be answered by the employer with respect to the indebtedness, the clerk of the court in which the judgment was entered shall issue summons against the person named in the affidavit as emplover at the employer's main Illinois administrative office commanding the employer to appear in the court and answer the interrogatories in writing under oath. The interrogatories shall elicit all the information necessary to amount of determine the proper non-exempt wages. interrogatories shall require that the employer certify that a copy of the completed interrogatories as specified subsection (c) of Section 12-808 has been mailed or hand

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      delivered to the judgment debtor and shall be in a form
      consistent with local court rules. The summons shall further
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      summons pursuant to 5 USC 5520a, to commence to pay over
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      shall be in a form consistent with local court rules. The
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      judgment or a certification by the clerk of the court that
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      entered the judgment, or by the attorney for the judgment
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      creditor, setting forth the date and amount of the judgment,
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      allowable costs expended, interest accumulated, credits paid
      by or on behalf of the judgment debtor and the balance due the
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      judgment creditor, and one copy of a wage deduction notice in
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      substantially the following form:
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          Name of Case: (Name of Judgment Creditor),
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              Judgment Creditor v.
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              (Name of Judgment Debtor),
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              Judgment Debtor.
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          Address of Judgment Debtor: (Insert last known address)
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          Name and Address of Attorney for Judgment
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          Creditor or of Judgment Creditor (if no
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          attorney is listed): (Insert name and address)
          Amount of Judgment: $.....
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Employer: (Name of Employer)

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Return Date: (Insert return date specified in summons) NOTICE: The court shall be asked to issue a wage deduction summons against the employer named above for wages due or about to become due to you. The wage deduction summons may be issued on the basis of a judgment against you in favor of the judgment creditor in the amount stated above.

The amount of wages that may be deducted is limited by federal and Illinois law.

- (1) Under Illinois law, the amount of wages that may be deducted is limited to the lesser of (i) 15% of gross weekly wages or (ii) the amount by which disposable earnings for a week exceed the total of 45 times the federal minimum hourly wage or, under a wage deduction summons served on or after January 1, 2006, the minimum hourly wage prescribed by Section 4 of the Minimum Wage Law, whichever is greater.
- (2) Under federal law, the amount of wages that may be deducted is limited to the lesser of (i) 25% of disposable earnings for a week or (ii) the amount by which disposable earnings for a week exceed 30 times the federal minimum hourly wage.
- (3) Pension and retirement benefits and refunds may be claimed as exempt from wage deduction under Illinois law.

You have the right to request a hearing before the court to dispute the wage deduction because the wages are exempt. To obtain a hearing in counties with a population of 1,000,000 or

more, you must notify the Clerk of the Court in person and in writing at (insert address of Clerk) before the Return Date specified above or appear in court on the date and time on that Return Date. To obtain a hearing in counties with a population of less than 1,000,000, you must notify the Clerk of the Court in writing at (insert address of clerk) on or before the Return Date specified above. The Clerk of the Court will provide a hearing date and the necessary forms that must be prepared by you or your attorney and sent to the judgment creditor and the employer, or their attorney, regarding the time and location of the hearing. This notice may be sent by regular first class mail."

- (b) In a county with a population of less than 1,000,000, unless otherwise provided by circuit court rule, at the request of the judgment creditor or his or her attorney and instead of personal service, service of a summons for a wage deduction may be made as follows:
  - (1) For each employer to be served, the judgment creditor or his or her attorney shall pay to the clerk of the court a fee of \$2, plus the cost of mailing, and furnish to the clerk an original and one copy of a summons, an original and one copy of the interrogatories and an affidavit setting forth the employer's main Illinois administrative office mailing address, an original and one copy of the wage deduction notice required by subsection (a) of this Section, and a copy of the judgment or

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1 certification described in subsection (a) of this Section. 2 The original judgment shall be retained by the clerk.

- (2) The clerk shall mail to the employer, at the address appearing in the affidavit, the copy of judgment or certification described in subsection (a) of this Section, the summons, the interrogatories, and the wage deduction notice required by subsection (a) of this Section, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, showing to whom delivered and the date and address of delivery. This Mailing shall be mailed on a "restricted delivery" basis when service is directed to a natural person. The envelope and return receipt shall bear the return address of the clerk, and the return receipt shall be stamped with the docket number of the case. The receipt for certified or registered mail shall state the name and address of the addressee, the date of the mailing, shall identify the documents mailed, and shall be attached to the original summons.
- (3) The return receipt must be attached to the original summons and, if it shows delivery at least 3 days before the return date, shall constitute proof of service of any documents identified on the return receipt as having been mailed.
- The clerk shall note the fact of service in a permanent record.
- (c) Instead of personal service, a summons for a wage

- 1 deduction may be served and returned in the manner provided by
- 2 Supreme Court rule for service, otherwise than by publication,
- 3 of a notice for additional relief upon a party in default.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 94-306, eff. 1-1-06.)
- 5 (735 ILCS 5/12-806) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-806)
- Sec. 12-806. Service and return of summons. Summons shall 6
- 7 be returnable not less than 21 nor more than 40 days after the
- date of issuance. Summons with 4 copies of the interrogatories 8
- 9 and one copy of the judgment or certification and one copy of
- 10 the wage deduction notice specified in Section 12-805 of this
- Act shall be served on the employer at employer's main Illinois 11
- 12 administrative office and returned as in other civil cases.
- 13 If the employer is served served at employer's main
- 14 Illinois administrative office with summons less than 3 days
- 15 prior to the return date, the court shall continue the case to
- a new return date not less than 21 days after the service of 16
- 17 the summons.
- (Source: P.A. 90-677, eff. 1-1-99.) 18
- (735 ILCS 5/12-807) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-807) 19
- Sec. 12-807. Failure of employer to appear. (a) If an 20
- 21 employer fails to appear and answer as required by Part 8 of
- 22 Article XII of this Act, the court may enter a conditional
- 23 judgment against the employer for the amount of the non-exempt
- 24 wages owed the judgment debtor until the employer appears and

- answers due upon the judgment against the judgment debtor. A summons to confirm the conditional judgment may issue against the employer returnable not less than 21 nor more than 30 days after the date of issuance, commanding the employer to show cause why the judgment should not be made final. If the employer, after being served with summons to confirm the conditional judgment or after being notified as provided in subsection (b) hereof, fails to appear and answer, the court shall confirm such judgment to the amount of the judgment against the judgment debtor and award costs. If the employer appears and answers, the same proceedings may be had as in other cases.
  - (b) If an employer becomes a non-resident, goes out of this State, or is concealed within this State so that the summons to confirm the conditional judgment cannot be served upon him or her, upon the filing by the plaintiff or his or her agent of an affidavit as in cases of non-resident defendants in attachments, the employer may be notified in the same manner as a non-resident defendant in attachment; and upon notice being given to him or her as above stated, he or she may be proceeded against in the same manner as if he or she had been personally served with summons to confirm the conditional judgment.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 86-603.)
- 24 (735 ILCS 5/12-808) (from Ch. 110, par. 12-808)
- Sec. 12-808. Duty of employer.

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- (a) An employer served as herein provided shall pay the employee the amount of his or her exempt wages.
  - (b) To the extent of the amount due upon the judgment and costs, the employer shall hold, subject to order of court, any non-exempt wages due or which subsequently come due. The judgment or balance due thereon is a lien on wages due at the time of the service of summons, and such lien shall continue as to subsequent earnings until the total amount due upon the judgment and costs is paid, except that such lien on subsequent earnings shall terminate sooner if the employment relationship is terminated or if the underlying judgment is vacated or modified.
  - (b-5) If the employer is a federal agency employer and the creditor is represented by an attorney, then the employer, upon service of summons and to the extent of the amount due upon the judgment and costs, shall commence to pay over to the attorney for the judgment creditor any non-exempt wages due or that subsequently come due. The attorney for the judgment creditor shall thereafter hold the deducted wages subject to further order of the court and shall make answer to the court regarding amounts received from the federal agency employer. The federal agency employer's periodic payments shall be considered a sufficient answer to the interrogatories.
  - (c) Except as provided in subsection (b-5), the employer shall file, on or before the return date or within the further time that the court for cause may allow, a written answer under

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oath to the interrogatories, setting forth the amount due as wages to the judgment debtor for the payroll periods ending immediately prior to the service of the summons and a summary of the computation used to determine the amount of non-exempt wages. Except as provided in subsection (b-5), the employer shall mail by first class mail or hand deliver a copy of the answer to the judgment debtor at the address specified in the affidavit filed under Section 12-805 of this Act, or at any other address or location of the judgment debtor known to the employer.

A lien obtained hereunder shall have priority over any subsequent lien obtained hereunder, except that liens for the support of a spouse or dependent children shall have priority over all other liens obtained hereunder. Subsequent summonses shall be effective in the order in which they are served.

- (d) The Illinois Supreme Court may by rule allow an employer to file answers to interrogatories by facsimile transmission.
- (e) Pursuant to answer under oath to the interrogatories by the employer, an order shall be entered compelling the employer to deduct from wages of the judgment debtor subject to collection under a deduction order an amount which is the lesser of (i) 15% of the gross amount of the wages or (ii) the amount by which disposable earnings for a week exceed 45 times the Federal Minimum Hourly Wage prescribed by Section 206(a)(1) of Title 29 of the United States Code, as amended, in effect at

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the time the amounts are payable, for each pay period in which statutory exemptions under Section 12-804 and child support garnishments, if any, leave funds to be remitted or, under a wage deduction summons served on or after January 1, 2006, the minimum hourly wage prescribed by Section 4 of the Minimum Wage Law, whichever is greater. The order shall further provide that deducted wages shall be remitted to the creditor or creditor's attorney on a monthly basis.

(f) If after the entry of a deduction order, the employer ceases to remit funds to the plaintiff pursuant to the order without a lawful excuse (which would terminate the employer's obligation under the deduction order such as the debtor having filed a bankruptcy, the debtor having left employment or the employer having received service of a support order against the judgment debtor having priority over the wage deduction proceedings), the court shall, upon plaintiff's motion, enter a conditional judgment against the employer for non-exempt wages owed the judgment debtor until the employer appears and answers balance due on the judgment. The plaintiff may then issue a Summons After Conditional Judgment. After service of the Summons After Conditional Judgment at the employer's main Illinois administrative office address, the employer may show cause why the conditional judgment, or some portion thereof should not be made a final judgment. If the employer shall fail to respond or show cause why the conditional judgment or some portion thereof should not be made

- 1 final, the court shall confirm the conditional judgment and
- make it final as to the employer plus additional court costs. 2
- (Source: P.A. 94-306, eff. 1-1-06; 95-661, eff. 1-1-08.) 3
- 4 Section 10. The Trusts and Trustees Act is amended by
- 5 adding Section 5.4 as follows:
- 6 (760 ILCS 5/5.4 new)
- 7 Sec. 5.4. Spendthrift trusts.
- 8 (a) For trusts created on or after the effective date of
- 9 this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, a settlor who
- in writing irrevocably transfers property in any manner to a 10
- 11 trust having at least one trustee as defined in subsection (b)
- 12 of this Section may, subject to the limitations in subsection
- 13 (c) of this Section, provide that the income or principal
- interest of the settlor as beneficiary may not be either 14
- voluntarily or involuntarily transferred before payment or 15
- delivery to the settlor as beneficiary by the trustee. This 16
- Section shall be considered to be a restriction on the transfer 17
- 18 of the settlor's beneficial interest in the trust that is
- 19 enforceable under applicable nonbankruptcy law within the
- 20 meaning of Section 541(c)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code or any
- 21 successor provision.
- 22 (b) (1) If the settlor is a beneficiary of the trust, at
- 23 least one trustee of a trust described in this Section must be
- 24 a corporate fiduciary authorized by the laws of this State to

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1 act as a trustee and whose activities are subject to supervision by the Director of the Division of Banking of this 2 3 State, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, or the 4 Office of Thrift Supervision, or any successor thereto; and

> (2) maintains or arranges for custody in this State of some or all of the property that is the subject of the trust described in this Section, maintains records for the trust on an exclusive or nonexclusive basis, prepares or arranges for the preparation of fiduciary income tax returns for the trust, or otherwise materially participates in the administration of the trust.

(c) (1) Except as provided in this subsection, if a trust has a restriction as provided in subsection (a) of this Section, a creditor or other claimant of the settlor may not satisfy a claim, or liability on a claim, in either law or equity, out of the settlor's transfer or the settlor's beneficial interest in the trust. For purposes of this Section, a creditor includes one holding or seeking to enforce a judgment entered by a court or other body having adjudicative authority as well as one with a right to payment, whether or not reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured.

(2) A trust described in this Section does not prevent a creditor or person described in this subsection (c) from satisfying a claim or liability out of the settlor's

| 1  | beneficial interest in or transfer into trust if:      |
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| 2  | (i) the claim is a judgment, order, decree, or         |
| 3  | other legally enforceable decision or ruling resulting |
| 4  | from a judicial, arbitration, mediation, or            |
| 5  | administrative proceeding commenced prior to or within |
| 6  | 3 years after the trust is created;                    |
| 7  | (ii) the settlor's transfer into trust is made with    |
| 8  | actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud that        |
| 9  | <pre>creditor or claimant;</pre>                       |
| 10 | (iii) the trust provides that the settlor may          |
| 11 | revoke or terminate all or part of the trust;          |
| 12 | (iv) the claim is for a payment owed by the settlor    |
| 13 | under a child support judgment or order;               |
| 14 | (v) the claim is by a spouse or former spouse of       |
| 15 | the settlor on account of an agreement or court order  |
| 16 | for the payment of support or maintenance or for a     |
| 17 | division or distribution of property;                  |
| 18 | (vi) the claim is a tax or other amount owed by the    |
| 19 | settlor to any governmental entity;                    |
| 20 | (vii) the claim is by a governmental entity for        |
| 21 | recovery of public assistance received by the settlor  |
| 22 | from the governmental entity;                          |
| 23 | (viii) the transfer is made when the settlor is        |
| 24 | insolvent or the transfer renders the settlor          |
| 25 | <pre>insolvent;</pre>                                  |
| 26 | (ix) the claim is a judgment, award, order,            |

| 1  | sentence, fine, penalty, or other determination of             |
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| 2  | liability of the settlor for conduct of the settlor            |
| 3  | constituting fraud, intentional infliction of harm, or         |
| 4  | a crime; or  |
| 5  | (x) the settlor transferred assets into the trust              |
| 6  | that: (1) were listed in a written representation of           |
| 7  | the settlor's assets given to a claimant to induce the         |
| 8  | claimant to enter into a transaction or agreement with         |
| 9  | the settlor; or (2) were transferred from the settlor's        |
| 10 | control in breach of any written agreement, covenant,          |
| 11 | or security interest between the settlor and the               |
| 12 | claimant.  |
| 13 | (d) The statute of limitations for actions to satisfy a        |
| 14 | claim or liability out of the settlor's beneficial interest in |
| 15 | or transfer into trust under this Section is the statute of    |
| 16 | limitations applicable to the underlying action.               |
| 17 | (e) The satisfaction of a claim under this Section is          |
| 18 | limited to that part of the trust or transfer to which it      |
| 19 | applies.   |
| 20 | (f) For purposes of this Section, a trust is not revoked or    |
| 21 | terminated by:   |
| 22 | (i) a power to veto a distribution from the trust;             |
| 23 | (ii) a testamentary special power of appointment or            |
| 24 | similar power;   |
| 25 | (iii) the right to receive a distribution of income,           |
| 26 | principal, or both in the discretion of another, including     |

| 1  | a trustee other than the settlor;                           |
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| 2  | (iv) an interest in a charitable remainder unitrust or      |
| 3  | charitable remainder annuity trust as defined in Internal   |
| 4  | Revenue Code Section 664 or any successor provision;        |
| 5  | (v) a right to receive principal subject to an              |
| 6  | ascertainable standard set forth in the trust; or           |
| 7  | (vi) the power to appoint a nonsubordinate adviser or       |
| 8  | trust protector who can remove and appoint trustees, who    |
| 9  | can direct, consent to, or disapprove distributions, or who |
| 10 | is an investment advisor or has the power to appoint an     |
| 11 | investment adviser or investment director pursuant to the   |
| 12 | laws of this State.   |
| 13 | (g) The courts of this State shall have exclusive           |
| 14 | jurisdiction over any action brought under this Section.".  |