## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2013 and 2014

#### SB2161

Introduced 2/15/2013, by Sen. Wm. Sam McCann

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

815 ILCS 603/10

Amends the Contractor Prompt Payment Act. Provides that under a construction contract, it is unlawful to withhold more than 5% retainage on payments earned by contractors and subcontractors. Effective January 1, 2014.

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1 AN ACT concerning business.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,

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# represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Contractor Prompt Payment Act is amended by
changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (815 ILCS 603/10)

7 Sec. 10. Construction contracts.

8 <u>(a)</u> All construction contracts shall be deemed to provide 9 the following:

(1) If a contractor has performed in accordance with 10 11 the provisions of a construction contract and the payment application has been approved by the owner or the owner's 12 13 agent, the owner shall pay the amount due to the contractor 14 pursuant to the payment application not more than 15 calendar days after the approval. The payment application 15 16 shall be deemed approved 25 days after the owner receives 17 it unless the owner provides, before the end of the 25-day period, a written statement of the amount withheld and the 18 19 reason for withholding payment. If the owner finds that a 20 portion of the work not in accordance with the contract, payment may be withheld for the reasonable value of that 21 22 portion only. Payment shall be made for any portion of the contract for which the work has been performed in 23

accordance with the provisions of the contract.
 Instructions or notification from an owner to his or her
 lender or architect to process or pay a payment application
 does not constitute approval of the payment application
 under this Act.

6 (2) If a subcontractor has performed in accordance with 7 the provisions of his or her contract with the contractor 8 or subcontractor and the work has been accepted by the 9 owner, the owner's agent, or the contractor, the contractor 10 shall pay to his or her subcontractor and the subcontractor 11 shall pay to his or her subcontractor, within 15 calendar 12 days of the contractor's receipt from the owner or the subcontractor's receipt from the contractor of 13 each 14 periodic payment, final payment, or receipt of retainage 15 monies, the full amount received for the work of the 16 subcontractor based on the work completed or the services 17 rendered under the construction contract.

18 (b) Under a construction contract, it is unlawful to 19 withhold more than 5% retainage on payments earned by 20 contractors and subcontractors.

21 (Source: P.A. 95-567, eff. 8-31-07.)

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 23 1, 2014.