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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2461
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 2461 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act is
5	amended by changing Sections 15-201, 15-210, 15-503, 15-603,
6	15-904, 15-1002.1, 15-1004, 15-1401, and 15-1402 as follows:
7	(765 ILCS 1026/15-201)
8	Sec. 15-201. When property presumed abandoned. Subject to
9	Section 15-210, the following property is presumed abandoned if
10	it is unclaimed by the apparent owner during the period
11	specified below:
12	(1) a traveler's check, 15 years after issuance;
13	(2) a money order, $3 \neq 3$ years after issuance;
14	(3) any instrument on which a financial organization or
15	business association is directly liable, 3 years after
16	issuance;

(4) a state or municipal bond, bearer bond, or 1 original-issue-discount bond, 3 years after the earliest 2 of the date the bond matures or is called or the obligation 3 to pay the principal of the bond arises; 4 5 (5) a debt of a business association, 3 years after the 6 obligation to pay arises; (6) financial organization deposits as follows: 7 (i) a demand deposit, 3 years after the date of the 8 9 last indication of interest in the property by the 10 apparent owner; 11 (ii) a savings deposit, 3 years after the date of last indication of interest in the property by the 12 13 apparent owner; 14 (iii) a time deposit for which the owner has not 15 consented to automatic renewal of the time deposit, 5 16 years after the date of last indication of interest in 17 the property by the apparent owner; (iv) an automatically renewable time deposit for 18 19 which the owner consented to the automatic renewal in a 20 record on file with the holder, 5 years after the date 21 of last indication of interest in the property by the 22 apparent owner, following the completion of the initial term of the time deposit and one automatic 23 24 renewal term of the time deposit a demand, savings, or 25 time deposit, 3 years after the later of maturity 26 the date of the last indication of interest in the

1property by the apparent owner, except for a deposit2that is automatically renewable, 3 years after its3initial date of maturity unless the apparent owner4consented in a record on file with the holder to5renewal at or about the time of the renewal;

6 (7) money or a credit owed to a customer as a result of 7 a retail business transaction, other than in-store credit 8 for returned merchandise, 3 years after the obligation 9 arose;

10 (8) an amount owed by an insurance company on a life or 11 endowment insurance policy or an annuity contract that has 12 matured or terminated, 3 years after the obligation to pay 13 arose under the terms of the policy or contract or, if a 14 policy or contract for which an amount is owed on proof of 15 death has not matured by proof of the death of the insured 16 or annuitant, as follows:

17 (A) with respect to an amount owed on a life or18 endowment insurance policy, the earlier of:

(i) 3 years after the death of the insured; or (ii) 2 years after the insured has attained, or would have attained if living, the limiting age under the mortality table on which the reserve for the policy is based; and

(B) with respect to an amount owed on an annuity
contract, 3 years after the death of the annuitant.
(9) funds on deposit or held in trust pursuant to the

Illinois Funeral or Burial Funds Act, the earliest of: 1 (A) 2 years after the date of death of the 2 3 beneficiary; (B) one year after the date the beneficiary has 4 attained, or would have attained if living, the age of 5 105 where the holder does not know whether the 6 7 beneficiary is deceased; 8 (C) 40 years after the contract for prepayment was 9 executed; 10 (10) property distributable by a business association in the course of dissolution or distributions from the 11 12 termination of a retirement plan, one year after the 13 property becomes distributable; 14 (11) property held by a court, including property

15 received as proceeds of a class action, 3 years after the 16 property becomes distributable;

(12) property held by a government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, including municipal bond interest and unredeemed principal under the administration of a paying agent or indenture trustee, 3 years after the property becomes distributable;

(13) wages, commissions, bonuses, or reimbursements to
 which an employee is entitled, or other compensation for
 personal services, including amounts held on a payroll
 card, one year after the amount becomes payable;

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(14) a deposit or refund owed to a subscriber by a

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1 utility, one year after the deposit or refund becomes payable, except that any capital credits or patronage 2 capital retired, returned, refunded or tendered to a member 3 4 of an electric cooperative, as defined in Section 3.4 of 5 Electric Supplier Act, the or а telephone or telecommunications cooperative, as defined in Section 6 13-212 of the Public Utilities Act, that has remained 7 8 unclaimed by the person appearing on the records of the 9 entitled cooperative for more than 2 years, shall not be 10 subject to, or governed by, any other provisions of this 11 Act, but rather shall be used by the cooperative for the benefit of the general membership of the cooperative; and 12

(15) property not specified in this Section or Sections 14 15-202 through 15-208, the earlier of 3 years after the 15 owner first has a right to demand the property or the 16 obligation to pay or distribute the property arises.

17 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 15-201, and subject to Section 15-210, a deceased owner cannot 18 19 indicate interest in his or her property. If the owner is 20 deceased and the abandonment period for the owner's property 21 specified in this Section 15-201 is greater than 2 years, then 22 the property, other than an amount owed by an insurance company 23 on a life or endowment insurance policy or an annuity contract 24 that has matured or terminated, shall instead be presumed 25 abandoned 2 years from the date of the owner's last indication 26 of interest in the property.

10100HB2461ham001 -6- LRB101 08974 LNS 59087 a (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18; 100-566, eff. 1-1-18.) 1 (765 ILCS 1026/15-210) 2 3 Sec. 15-210. Indication of apparent owner interest in 4 property. (a) The period after which property is presumed abandoned 5 is measured from the later of: 6 7 (1) the date the property is presumed abandoned under 8 this Article; or 9 (2) the latest indication of interest by the apparent 10 owner in the property. (b) Under this Act, an indication of an apparent owner's 11 12 interest in property includes: 13 (1) a record communicated by the apparent owner to the 14 holder or agent of the holder concerning the property or the account in which the property is held; 15 16 (2) an oral communication by the apparent owner to the 17 holder or agent of the holder concerning the property or 18 the account in which the property is held, if the holder or 19 its agent contemporaneously makes and preserves a record of 20 the fact of the apparent owner's communication; 21 (3) presentment of a check or other instrument of 22 payment of a dividend, interest payment, or other 23 distribution, or evidence of receipt of a distribution made 24 by electronic or similar means, with respect to an account, business 25 underlying security, or interest in а

1 association;

(4) activity directed by an apparent owner in the
account in which the property is held, including accessing
the account or information concerning the account, or a
direction by the apparent owner to increase, decrease, or
otherwise change the amount or type of property held in the
account;

8 (5) a deposit into or withdrawal from an account at a 9 financial organization, except for a recurring Automated 10 Clearing House (ACH) debit or credit previously authorized 11 by the apparent owner or an automatic reinvestment of 12 dividends or interest; and

13 (6) subject to subsection (e), payment of a premium on14 an insurance policy.

15 (c) An action by an agent or other representative of an 16 apparent owner, other than the holder acting as the apparent 17 owner's agent, is presumed to be an action on behalf of the 18 apparent owner.

(d) A communication with an apparent owner by a person other than the holder or the holder's representative is not an indication of interest in the property by the apparent owner unless a record of the communication evidences the apparent owner's knowledge of a right to the property.

(e) If the insured dies or the insured or beneficiary of an
insurance policy otherwise becomes entitled to the proceeds
before depletion of the cash surrender value of the policy by

operation of an automatic-premium-loan provision or other
 nonforfeiture provision contained in the policy, the operation
 does not prevent the policy from maturing or terminating.

4 (f) If the apparent owner has another property with the 5 holder to which Section 201(6) applies, then activity directed 6 by an apparent owner in any other accounts, including loan 7 accounts, at a financial organization holding an inactive 8 account of the apparent owner shall be an indication of 9 interest in all such accounts if:

10 (A) the apparent owner engages in one or more of11 the following activities:

(i) the apparent owner undertakes one or more of the actions described in subsection (b) of this Section regarding any <u>of the other accounts the</u> <u>apparent owner has with the financial organization</u> <u>account that appears on a consolidated statement</u> with the inactive account;

18 (ii) the apparent owner increases or decreases 19 the amount of funds in any other account the 20 apparent owner has with the financial 21 organization; or

(iii) the apparent owner engages in any other
relationship with the financial organization,
including payment of any amounts due on a loan; and
(B) the foregoing apply so long as the mailing
address for the apparent owner in the financial

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1organization's books and records is the same for both2the inactive account and the active account.

3 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)

4 (765 ILCS 1026/15-503)

5 Sec. 15-503. Notice by administrator.

6 (a) The administrator shall give notice to an apparent 7 owner that property presumed abandoned and appears to be owned 8 by the apparent owner is held by the administrator under this 9 Act.

10 (b) In providing notice under subsection (a), the 11 administrator shall:

12 (1) except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2), send 13 written notice by first-class United States mail to each 14 apparent owner of property valued at \$100 or more held by the administrator, unless the administrator determines 15 16 that a mailing by first-class United States mail would not be received by the apparent owner, and, in the case of a 17 18 security held in an account for which the apparent owner 19 had consented to receiving electronic mail from the holder, 20 send notice by electronic mail if the electronic-mail 21 address of the apparent owner is known to the administrator 22 instead of by first-class United States mail; or

(2) send the notice to the apparent owner's
 electronic-mail address if the administrator does not have
 a valid United States mail address for an apparent owner,

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1 but has an electronic-mail address that the administrator does not know to be invalid. 2 (c) In addition to the notice under subsection (b), the 3 4 administrator shall: 5 (1) publish every 6 months in at least one English language newspaper of general circulation in each county in 6 this State notice of property held by the administrator 7 which must include: 8 9 (A) the total value of property received by the 10 administrator during the preceding 6-month period, 11 taken from the reports under Section 15-401; the total value of claims paid by the 12 (B) 13 administrator during the preceding 6-month period; (C) the Internet web address of the unclaimed 14 15 property website maintained by the administrator; 16 an a telephone number and electronic-mail (D) address to contact the administrator to inquire about 17

18 or claim property; and

(E) a statement that a person may access the
Internet by a computer to search for unclaimed property
and a computer may be available as a service to the
public at a local public library.

(2) The administrator shall maintain a website
 accessible by the public and electronically searchable
 which contains the names reported to the administrator of
 apparent owners for whom property is being held by the

administrator. The administrator need not list property on 1 such website when: no owner name was reported, a claim has 2 3 been initiated or is pending for the property, the administrator has made direct contact with the apparent 4 5 owner of the property, and in other instances where the administrator reasonably believes exclusion 6 of the 7 property is in the best interests of both the State and the 8 owner of the property.

9 (d) The website or database maintained under subsection 10 (c)(2) must include instructions for filing with the 11 administrator a claim to property and an online claim form with 12 instructions. The website may also provide a printable claim 13 form with instructions for its use.

14 (e) Tax return identification of apparent owners of15 abandoned property.

(1) At least annually the administrator shall notify 16 17 the Department of Revenue of the names of persons appearing to be owners of abandoned property under this Section. The 18 19 administrator shall also provide to the Department of 20 Revenue the social security numbers of the persons, if 21 available. The administrator does not need to notify the 22 Department of Revenue of the names or social security 23 numbers of apparent owners of abandoned property if he or 24 she reasonably believes that the Department of Revenue will 25 be unable to provide information that would provide 26 sufficient evidence to establish that the person in the

Department of Revenue's records is the apparent owner of
 unclaimed property in the custody of the administrator.

3 (2)The Department of Revenue shall notify the administrator if any person under subsection (e)(1) has 4 5 filed an Illinois income tax return and shall provide the administrator with the last known address of the person as 6 7 it appears in Department of Revenue records, except as 8 prohibited by federal law. The Department of Revenue may 9 also provide additional addresses for the same taxpayer 10 from the records of the Department, except as prohibited by 11 federal law.

12 (3) In order to facilitate the return of property under 13 this subsection, the administrator and the Department of 14 Revenue may enter into an interagency agreement concerning 15 protection of confidential information, data match rules, 16 and other issues.

17 (4) The administrator may deliver, as provided under 18 Section 15-904 of this Act, property or pay the amount 19 owing to a person matched under this Section without the 20 person filing a claim under Section 15-903 of this Act if 21 the following conditions are met:

(A) the value of the property that is owed the
person is \$2,000 or less;

24 (B) the property is not either tangible property or25 securities;

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(C) the last known address for the person according

to the Department of Revenue records is less than 12
 months old; and

3 (D) the administrator has evidence sufficient to 4 establish that the person who appears in Department of 5 Revenue records is the owner of the property and the 6 owner currently resides at the last known address from 7 the Department of Revenue.

8 (5) If the value of the property that is owed the 9 person is greater than \$2,000, or is tangible property or 10 securities the administrator shall provide notice to the 11 person, informing the person that he or she is the owner of 12 abandoned property held by the State and may file a claim 13 with the administrator for return of the property.

(f) The administrator may use additional databases to verify the identity of the person and that the person currently resides at the last known address. The administrator may utilize publicly and commercially available databases to find and update or add information for apparent owners of property held by the administrator.

20 (g) In addition to giving notice under subsection (b), 21 publishing the information under subsection (c)(1) and 22 maintaining the website or database under subsection (c)(2), 23 administrator may use other printed publication, the 24 telecommunication, the Internet, or other media to inform the 25 public of the existence of unclaimed property held by the 26 administrator.

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1 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18; 100-566, eff. 1-1-18.)

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(765 ILCS 1026/15-603)

3 Sec. 15-603. Payment or delivery of property to 4 administrator.

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, on filing 6 a report under Section 15-401, the holder shall pay or deliver 7 to the administrator the property described in the report.

(b) If property in a report under Section 15-401 is an 8 9 automatically renewable time deposit and the holder determines 10 that a penalty or forfeiture in the payment of interest would result from paying the deposit to the administrator at the time 11 12 of the report, the date for reporting and delivering payment of 13 the property to the administrator is extended until a penalty 14 or forfeiture no longer would result from delivery of the property to the administrator. The holder shall report and 15 deliver the property on the next regular date prescribed for 16 reporting by the holder under this Act after this extended 17 date, and the holder shall indicate in its report to the 18 19 administrator that the property is being reported on an extended date pursuant to this subsection (b) payment, if the 20 holder informs the administrator of the extended date. 21

(c) Tangible property in a safe-deposit box may not be delivered to the administrator until a mutually agreed upon date that is no sooner than 60 days after filing the report under Section 15-401. (d) If property reported to the administrator under Section
 15-401 is a security, the administrator may:

3 (1) make an endorsement, instruction, or entitlement 4 order on behalf of the apparent owner to invoke the duty of 5 the issuer, its transfer agent, or the securities 6 intermediary to transfer the security; or

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(2) dispose of the security under Section 15-702.

8 (e) If the holder of property reported to the administrator 9 under Section 15-401 is the issuer of a certificated security, 10 the administrator may obtain a replacement certificate in 11 physical or book-entry form under Section 8-405 of the Uniform 12 Commercial Code. An indemnity bond is not required.

(f) The administrator shall establish procedures for the registration, issuance, method of delivery, transfer, and maintenance of securities delivered to the administrator by a holder.

(g) An issuer, holder, and transfer agent or other person acting in good faith under this Section under instructions of and on behalf of the issuer or holder is not liable to the apparent owner for a claim arising with respect to property after the property has been delivered to the administrator.

(h) A holder is not required to deliver to the administrator a security identified by the holder as a non-freely transferable security in a report filed under Section 15-401. If the administrator or holder determines that a security is no longer a non-freely transferable security, the 10100HB2461ham001 -16- LRB101 08974 LNS 59087 a

holder shall report and deliver the security on the next regular date prescribed for delivery of securities by the <u>holder</u> under this Act. The holder shall make a determination annually whether a security identified in a report filed under Section 15-401 as a non-freely transferable security is no longer a non-freely transferable security.

7 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)

8 (765 ILCS 1026/15-904)

9 Sec. 15-904. When administrator must honor claim for10 property.

(a) The administrator shall pay or deliver property to a claimant under subsection (a) of Section 15-903 if the administrator receives evidence sufficient to establish to the satisfaction of the administrator that the claimant is the owner of the property.

(b) A claim will be considered complete when a claimant has 16 17 provided all the information and documentation requested by the administrator as necessary to establish legal ownership and 18 19 such information or documentation is entered into the 20 administrator's unclaimed property system. Unless extended for 21 reasonable cause, not later than 90 days after a claim is 22 complete the administrator shall allow or deny the claim and 23 give the claimant notice in a record of the decision. If a 24 claimant fails to provide all the information and documentation 25 requested by the administrator as necessary to establish legal

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ownership of the property and the claim is inactive for at least 90 days, then the administrator may close the claim without issuing a final decision. However, if the claimant makes a request in writing for a final decision prior to the administrator's closing of the claim, the administrator shall issue a final decision.

7 (b-5) An heir or agent who files an unclaimed property 8 claim in which the decedent's property does not exceed \$100 may submit an affidavit attesting to the heir's or agent's capacity 9 10 to claim in lieu of submitting a certified copy to verify a claim. The affidavit shall be accompanied by a copy of other 11 documentary proof that the administrator requests. The 12 13 administrator may change the maximum value in this subsection 14 by administrative rule.

15 (c) If the claim is denied or there is insufficient 16 evidence to allow the claim under subsection (b):

(1) the administrator shall inform the claimant of the
reason for the denial and may specify what additional
evidence, if any, is required for the claim to be allowed;

20 (2) the claimant may file an amended claim with the
21 administrator or commence an action under Section 15-906;
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(3) the administrator shall consider an amended claim
filed under paragraph (2) as an initial claim.

25 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)

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(765 ILCS 1026/15-1002.1)

Sec. 15-1002.1. Examination of State-regulated financial
 organizations.

4 (a) Notwithstanding Section 15-1002 of this Act, for any 5 financial organization for which the Department of Financial Professional Regulation is the primary prudential 6 and regulator, the administrator shall not examine such financial 7 institution unless the administrator has consulted with the 8 9 Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation and the 10 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has not 11 examined such financial organization for compliance with this Act within the past 5 years. The Secretary of Financial and 12 13 Professional Regulation may waive in writing the provisions of 14 this subsection (a) in order to permit the administrator to 15 examine a financial organization or group of financial 16 organizations for compliance with this Act.

(b) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit the administrator from examining a financial organization for which the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation is not the primary prudential regulator. Further, nothing <u>in</u> is this Act shall be construed to limit the authority of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to examine financial organizations.

24 (c) Notwithstanding Section 15-1002, the administrator
 25 may, at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice:

26 (1) examine the records of a financial organization

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1	that is a federally chartered bank, savings bank, or credit
2	union if the administrator has reason to believe that the
3	financial organization has failed to comply with this Act;
4	(2) issue an administrative subpoena requiring the
5	financial organization or an agent of the financial
6	organization to make records available for examination;
7	and
8	(3) bring an action seeking judicial enforcement of the
9	subpoena.
10	The administrator may adopt administrative rules that
11	specify conditions under which the administrator has a reason
12	to believe that a financial organization is not in compliance
13	with this Act.
14	(Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18; 100-566, eff. 1-1-18;
15	revised 10-4-18.)
16	(765 ILCS 1026/15-1004)
17	Sec. 15-1004. Records obtained in examination. Records
18	obtained and records, including work papers, compiled by the
19	administrator <u>or administrator's agent</u> in the course of
20	conducting an examination under Section 15-1002 <u>or Section</u>
21	<u>15-1002.1</u> :
22	(1) are subject to the confidentiality and security
23	provisions of Article 14 and are exempt from disclosure
24	under the Freedom of Information Act;
25	(2) may be used by the administrator in an action to

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collect property or otherwise enforce this Act;

(3) may be used in a joint examination conducted with 2 another state, the United States, a foreign country or 3 subordinate unit of a foreign country, or any other 4 5 governmental entity if the governmental entity conducting examination is legally bound to maintain 6 the the confidentiality and security of information obtained from 7 8 a person subject to examination in a manner substantially 9 equivalent to Article 14;

10 (4) may be disclosed, on request, to the person that administers the unclaimed property law of another state for 11 12 that state's use in circumstances equivalent to 13 circumstances described in this Article, if the other state 14 is required to maintain the confidentiality and security of 15 information obtained in a manner substantially equivalent to Article 14; 16

17 (5) must be produced by the administrator under an 18 administrative or judicial subpoena or administrative or 19 court order; and

(6) must be produced by the administrator on request of
the person subject to the examination in an administrative
or judicial proceeding relating to the property.

23 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)

24 (765 ILCS 1026/15-1401)

25 Sec. 15-1401. Confidential information.

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1 Except as otherwise provided in this Section, (a) information that is confidential under law of this State other 2 than this Act, another state, or the United States, including 3 4 "private information" as defined in the Freedom of Information 5 Act and "personal information" as defined in the Personal Information Protection Act, continues to be confidential when 6 disclosed or delivered under this Act to the administrator or 7 8 administrator's agent.

9 (b) Information provided in reports filed pursuant to 10 Section 15-401, information obtained in the course of an 11 examination pursuant to Section 15-1002 <u>or Section 15-1002.1</u>, 12 and the database required by Section 15-503 is exempt from 13 disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.

14 (c) If reasonably necessary to enforce or implement this 15 Act, the administrator or the administrator's agent may 16 disclose confidential information concerning property held by 17 the administrator or the administrator's agent to:

(1) an apparent owner or the apparent owner's
representative under the Probate Act of 1975, attorney,
other legal representative, or relative;

(2) the representative under the Probate Act of 1975,
other legal representative, relative of a deceased
apparent owner, or a person entitled to inherit from the
deceased apparent owner;

25 (3) another department or agency of this State or the
26 United States;

1 (4) the person that administers the unclaimed property 2 law of another state, if the other state accords 3 substantially reciprocal privileges to the administrator 4 of this State if the other state is required to maintain 5 the confidentiality and security of information obtained 6 in a manner substantially equivalent to Article 14;

7 (5) a person subject to an examination as required by
8 Section 15-1004; and

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(6) an agent of the administrator.

10 (d) The administrator may include on the website or in the 11 database the names and addresses of apparent owners of property held by the administrator as provided in Section 15-503. The 12 13 administrator may include in published notices, printed 14 publications, telecommunications, the Internet, or other media 15 and on the website or in the database additional information 16 concerning the apparent owner's property if the administrator believes the information will assist in identifying and 17 18 returning property to the owner and does not disclose personal information as defined in the Personal Information Protection 19 20 Act.

(e) The administrator and the administrator's agent may not use confidential information provided to them or in their possession except as expressly authorized by this Act or required by law other than this Act.

25 (Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18; 100-566, eff. 1-1-18.)

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1	(765 ILCS 1026/15-1402)
2	Sec. 15-1402. Confidentiality agreement. A person to be
3	examined under Section 15-1002 <u>or Section 15-1002.1</u> may
4	require, as a condition of disclosure of the records of the
5	person to be examined, that the administrator or the
6	administrator's agent execute and deliver to the person to be
7	examined a confidentiality agreement that:
8	(1) is in a form that is reasonably satisfactory to the
9	administrator; and
10	(2) requires the person having access to the records to
11	comply with the provisions of this Article applicable to
12	the person.
13	(Source: P.A. 100-22, eff. 1-1-18.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 14 15 becoming law.".