- 1 AN ACT concerning business practices.
- 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
- 5 Practice Act is amended by adding Section 2MM as follows:
- 6 (815 ILCS 505/2MM new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 2MM. Fair credit reporting.</u>
- 8 (a) A credit reporting agency shall, upon request and
- 9 proper identification of any consumer, clearly and accurately
- 10 <u>disclose to the consumer all information available to users</u>
- 11 at the time of the request pertaining to the consumer,
- 12 <u>including all of the following:</u>
- 13 <u>(1) Any credit score or predictor relating to the</u>
- 14 <u>consumer in a form and manner that complies with such</u>
- comments or quidelines as may be issued by the Federal
- 16 <u>Trade Commission.</u>
- 17 <u>(2) The names of users requesting information</u>
- 18 pertaining to the consumer during the prior 12-month
- 19 <u>period and the date of each request.</u>
- 20 (3) A clear and concise explanation of the
- 21 <u>information</u>.
- 22 (b) As frequently as new telephone directories are
- 23 <u>published</u>, the credit reporting agency shall cause to be
- 24 <u>listed its name and number in each telephone directory</u>
- 25 <u>published to serve communities of this State. In accordance</u>
- 26 <u>with rules adopted by the Attorney General, the credit</u>
- 27 reporting agency shall make provision for consumers to
- 28 request by telephone the information required to be disclosed
- 29 <u>pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section at no cost to the</u>
- 30 <u>consumer</u>.
- 31 (c) Any time a credit reporting agency is required to

- 1 <u>make a written disclosure to consumers pursuant to 15 U.S.C.</u>
- 2 <u>1681q, it shall disclose the following:</u>
- 3 <u>"NOTICE TO ILLINOIS CONSUMERS</u>
- 4 (1) Under Illinois law, you are allowed to receive one
- 5 free copy of your credit report every 12 months from each
- 6 credit reporting agency. If you would like to obtain your
- 7 <u>free credit report from (insert name of company), you should</u>
- 8 <u>contact us by writing to the following address: (insert</u>
- 9 <u>address for obtaining free credit report) or calling the</u>
- 10 <u>following number: (insert telephone number for obtaining free</u>
- 11 <u>credit report)</u>, or both.
- 12 (2) If you believe a law regulating consumer credit
- 13 reporting has been violated, you may file a complaint with
- 14 <u>the Illinois Attorney General."</u>
- 15 (d) The information required to be disclosed by this
- 16 <u>Section shall be disclosed in writing. The information</u>
- 17 required to be disclosed pursuant to subsection (c) of this
- 18 <u>Section shall be disclosed on one side of a separate</u>
- 19 <u>document</u>, with text no smaller than that prescribed by the
- 20 <u>Federal Trade Commission for the notice required under 15</u>
- 21 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1681q. The information required to be disclosed
- 22 pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section may accurately
- 23 <u>reflect changes in numerical items that change over time and</u>
- 24 remain in compliance.
- 25 (e) A credit reporting agency shall not impose a charge
- 26 for providing the information required to be disclosed under
- 27 <u>subsection (a) once every 12 months or notifying any person</u>
- designated by the consumer pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1681i of the
- 29 <u>deletion of information that is found to be inaccurate or</u>
- 30 <u>that can no longer be verified. For all other disclosures to</u>
- 31 <u>consumers of information available to users pertaining to the</u>
- 32 consumer, the credit reporting agency may impose a reasonable
- 33 charge, not to exceed \$7.50, on the consumer.

- (f) A credit reporting agency that violates this Section 1
- 2 <u>commits an unlawful practice within the meaning of this Act.</u>