

Housing and Urban Development Committee

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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 45 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 45 by replacing 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following: 4 "Section 5. The Illinois Human Rights Act is amended by changing Sections 1-102, 1-103, 3-102, 8A-104, and 8B-104 as 5 6 follows: 7 (775 ILCS 5/1-102) (from Ch. 68, par. 1-102) (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 93-1078) 8 Sec. 1-102. Declaration of Policy. It is the public policy 9 of this State: 10 (A) Freedom from Unlawful Discrimination. To secure for all 11 individuals within Illinois the freedom from discrimination 12 against any individual because of his or her race, color, 13 14 religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, physical or mental handicap, military status, or unfavorable 15 16 discharge from military service in connection with employment, 17 real estate transactions, access to financial credit, and the 18 availability of public accommodations. (B) Freedom from Sexual Harassment-Employment and Higher 19 Education. To prevent sexual harassment in employment and 20 21 sexual harassment in higher education. Freedom from Discrimination Based on Citizenship 22 23 Status-Employment. prevent discrimination based $T \circ$

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- 1 (D) Freedom from Discrimination Based on Familial 2 Status-Real Estate Transactions. To prevent discrimination 3 based on familial status in real estate transactions.
- 4 (E) Public Health, Welfare and Safety. To promote the 5 public health, welfare and safety by protecting the interest of 6 all people in Illinois in maintaining personal dignity, in 7 realizing their full productive capacities, and in furthering 8 their interests, rights and privileges as citizens of this 9 State.
- 10 (F) Implementation of Constitutional Guarantees. To secure
 11 and guarantee the rights established by Sections 17, 18 and 19
 12 of Article I of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.
 - (G) Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action. To establish Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action as the policies of this State in all of its decisions, programs and activities, and to assure that all State departments, boards, commissions and instrumentalities rigorously take affirmative action to provide equality of opportunity and eliminate the effects of past discrimination in the internal affairs of State government and in their relations with the public.
 - (H) Unfounded Charges. To protect citizens of this State against unfounded charges of unlawful discrimination, sexual harassment in employment and sexual harassment in higher education, and discrimination based on citizenship status in employment.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 87-579; 88-178.)
- 27 (Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 93-1078)
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- orientation, or unfavorable discharge from military service in 2
- 3 connection with employment, real estate transactions, access
- 4 financial credit, and the availability of public
- 5 accommodations.
- (B) Freedom from Sexual Harassment-Employment and Higher
- 7 Education. To prevent sexual harassment in employment and
- 8 sexual harassment in higher education.
- (C) Freedom from Discrimination Based on Citizenship 9
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- citizenship status in employment. 11
- (D) Freedom from Discrimination Based on Familial 12
- 13 Status-Real Estate Transactions. To prevent discrimination
- based on familial status in real estate transactions. 14
- 15 (D-1) Freedom from Discrimination Based on Source of
- Income-Residential Rental Real Estate Transactions. To prevent 16
- discrimination based on source of income in residential rental 17
- real estate transactions. 18
- (E) Public Health, Welfare and Safety. To promote the 19
- 20 public health, welfare and safety by protecting the interest of
- 21 all people in Illinois in maintaining personal dignity, in
- realizing their full productive capacities, and in furthering 22
- their interests, rights and privileges as citizens of this 23
- 2.4 State.
- 25 (F) Implementation of Constitutional Guarantees. To secure
- 26 and guarantee the rights established by Sections 17, 18 and 19
- of Article I of the Illinois Constitution of 1970. 27
- 28 (G) Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action. To establish
- 29 Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action as the policies of
- this State in all of its decisions, programs and activities, 30
- 31 and to assure that all State departments, boards, commissions
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- 4 harassment in employment and sexual harassment in higher
- 5 education, and discrimination based on citizenship status in
- 6 employment.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 93-1078, eff. 1-1-06.)
- 8 (775 ILCS 5/1-103) (from Ch. 68, par. 1-103)
- 9 (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 93-1078)
- 10 Sec. 1-103. General Definitions. When used in this Act,
- 11 unless the context requires otherwise, the term:
- 12 (A) Age. "Age" means the chronological age of a person who
- is at least 40 years old, except with regard to any practice
- described in Section 2-102, insofar as that practice concerns
- training or apprenticeship programs. In the case of training or
- apprenticeship programs, for the purposes of Section 2-102,
- 17 "age" means the chronological age of a person who is 18 but not
- 18 yet 40 years old.
- 19 (B) Aggrieved Party. "Aggrieved party" means a person who
- 20 is alleged or proved to have been injured by a civil rights
- violation or believes he or she will be injured by a civil
- 22 rights violation under Article 3 that is about to occur.
- (C) Charge. "Charge" means an allegation filed with the
- Department by an aggrieved party or initiated by the Department
- 25 under its authority.
- 26 (D) Civil Rights Violation. "Civil rights violation"
- 27 includes and shall be limited to only those specific acts set
- 28 forth in Sections 2-102, 2-103, 2-105, 3-102, 3-103, 3-104,
- 29 3-104.1, 3-105, 4-102, 4-103, 5-102, 5A-102 and 6-101 of this
- 30 Act.
- 31 (E) Commission. "Commission" means the Human Rights
- 32 Commission created by this Act.
- 33 (F) Complaint. "Complaint" means the formal pleading filed

- 1 by the Department with the Commission following an
- 2 investigation and finding of substantial evidence of a civil
- 3 rights violation.

- 4 (G) Complainant. "Complainant" means a person including
- 5 the Department who files a charge of civil rights violation
- 6 with the Department or the Commission.
 - (H) Department. "Department" means the Department of Human
- 8 Rights created by this Act.
- 9 (I) Handicap. "Handicap" means a determinable physical or
- 10 mental characteristic of a person, including, but not limited
- 11 to, a determinable physical characteristic which necessitates
- 12 the person's use of a guide, hearing or support dog, the
- 13 history of such characteristic, or the perception of such
- 14 characteristic by the person complained against, which may
- 15 result from disease, injury, congenital condition of birth or
- 16 functional disorder and which characteristic:
- 17 (1) For purposes of Article 2 is unrelated to the
- person's ability to perform the duties of a particular job
- or position and, pursuant to Section 2-104 of this Act, a
- 20 person's illegal use of drugs or alcohol is not a handicap;
- 21 (2) For purposes of Article 3, is unrelated to the
- 22 person's ability to acquire, rent or maintain a housing
- 23 accommodation;
- 24 (3) For purposes of Article 4, is unrelated to a
- 25 person's ability to repay;
- 26 (4) For purposes of Article 5, is unrelated to a
- 27 person's ability to utilize and benefit from a place of
- 28 public accommodation.
- 29 (J) Marital Status. "Marital status" means the legal status
- of being married, single, separated, divorced or widowed.
- 31 (J-1) Military Status. "Military status" means a person's
- 32 status on active duty in the armed forces of the United States,
- 33 status as a current member of any reserve component of the
- 34 armed forces of the United States, including the United States

- 1 Army Reserve, United States Marine Corps Reserve, United States
- 2 Navy Reserve, United States Air Force Reserve, and United
- 3 States Coast Guard Reserve, or status as a current member of
- 4 the Illinois Army National Guard or Illinois Air National
- 5 Guard.
- 6 (K) National Origin. "National origin" means the place in
- 7 which a person or one of his or her ancestors was born.
- 8 (L) Person. "Person" includes one or more individuals,
- 9 partnerships, associations or organizations, labor
- organizations, labor unions, joint apprenticeship committees,
- or union labor associations, corporations, the State of
- 12 Illinois and its instrumentalities, political subdivisions,
- units of local government, legal representatives, trustees in
- 14 bankruptcy or receivers.
- 15 (M) Public Contract. "Public contract" includes every
- 16 contract to which the State, any of its political subdivisions
- or any municipal corporation is a party.
- 18 (N) Religion. "Religion" includes all aspects of religious
- observance and practice, as well as belief, except that with
- 20 respect to employers, for the purposes of Article 2, "religion"
- 21 has the meaning ascribed to it in paragraph (F) of Section
- 22 2-101.
- 23 (O) Sex. "Sex" means the status of being male or female.
- 24 (P) Unfavorable Military Discharge. "Unfavorable military
- 25 discharge" includes discharges from the Armed Forces of the
- United States, their Reserve components or any National Guard
- or Naval Militia which are classified as RE-3 or the equivalent
- thereof, but does not include those characterized as RE-4 or
- "Dishonorable".
- 30 (Q) Unlawful Discrimination. "Unlawful discrimination"
- 31 means discrimination against a person because of his or her
- 32 race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex,
- 33 marital status, handicap, military status, or unfavorable
- 34 discharge from military service as those terms are defined in

- 1 this Section.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 93-941, eff. 8-16-04.)
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- 9 training or apprenticeship programs. In the case of training or
- 10 apprenticeship programs, for the purposes of Section 2-102,
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- 12 yet 40 years old.
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 - (1) For purposes of Article 2 is unrelated to the person's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position and, pursuant to Section 2-104 of this Act, a person's illegal use of drugs or alcohol is not a handicap;
 - (2) For purposes of Article 3, is unrelated to the person's ability to acquire, rent or maintain a housing accommodation;
 - (3) For purposes of Article 4, is unrelated to a person's ability to repay;
 - (4) For purposes of Article 5, is unrelated to a person's ability to utilize and benefit from a place of public accommodation.
 - (I-5) Housing authority. "Housing authority" means either a housing authority created under the Housing Authorities Act or other government agency that is authorized by the United States government under the United States Housing Act of 1937 to administer a housing choice voucher program, or the authorized agent of such a housing authority that is authorized to act upon that authority's behalf.
 - (J) Marital Status. "Marital status" means the legal status of being married, single, separated, divorced or widowed.
 - (J-1) Military Status. "Military status" means a person's status on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, status as a current member of any reserve component of the

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- 4 States Coast Guard Reserve, or status as a current member of
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- 6 Guard.
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- 13 Illinois and its instrumentalities, political subdivisions,
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- or any municipal corporation is a party.
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- 20 observance and practice, as well as belief, except that with
- 21 respect to employers, for the purposes of Article 2, "religion"
- 22 has the meaning ascribed to it in paragraph (F) of Section
- 23 2-101.
- 24 (O) Sex. "Sex" means the status of being male or female.
- 25 (0-1) Sexual orientation. "Sexual orientation" means
- 26 actual or perceived heterosexuality, homosexuality,
- 27 bisexuality, or gender-related identity, whether or not
- 28 traditionally associated with the person's designated sex at
- 29 birth. "Sexual orientation" does not include a physical or
- 30 sexual attraction to a minor by an adult.
- 31 (0-5) Source of Income. "Source of income" means any lawful
- 32 income, subsidy, or benefit with which an individual supports
- 33 <u>himself or herself and his or her dependents, including, but</u>
- 34 not limited to, child support, maintenance, and any federal,

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State, or local public assistance, medical assistance, or 1 2 rental assistance program.

- (P) Unfavorable Military Discharge. "Unfavorable military discharge" includes discharges from the Armed Forces of the United States, their Reserve components or any National Guard or Naval Militia which are classified as RE-3 or the equivalent thereof, but does not include those characterized as RE-4 or "Dishonorable".
- (Q) Unlawful Discrimination. "Unlawful discrimination" 9 means discrimination against a person because of his or her 10 race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, 11 marital status, handicap, military status, sexual orientation, 12 or unfavorable discharge from military service as those terms 13 are defined in this Section. 14
- (Source: P.A. 93-941, eff. 8-16-04; 93-1078, eff. 1-1-06.) 15
- 16 (775 ILCS 5/3-102) (from Ch. 68, par. 3-102)
- 17 3-102. Civil Rights Violations; Real 18 Transactions) It is a civil rights violation for an owner or 19 any other person engaging in a real estate transaction, or for 20 a real estate broker or salesman, because of unlawful discrimination or familial status or source of income in 21 connection with residential rental real estate transactions, 22 23 t.o
- 24 (A) Transaction. Refuse to engage in a real estate 25 transaction with a person or to discriminate in making 26 available such a transaction;
- 27 (B) Terms. Alter the terms, conditions or privileges of a 28 real estate transaction or in the furnishing of facilities or services in connection therewith; 29
- 30 (C) Offer. Refuse to receive or to fail to transmit a bona 31 fide offer to engage in a real estate transaction from a 32 person;
- (D) Negotiation. Refuse to negotiate for a real estate 33

- transaction with a person;
- (E) Representations. Represent to a person that real 2
- 3 property is not available for inspection, sale, rental, or
- lease when in fact it is so available, or to fail to bring a 4
- 5 property listing to his or her attention, or to refuse to
- permit him or her to inspect real property; 6
- 7 (F) Publication of Intent. Print, circulate, post, mail,
- 8 publish or cause to be so published a written or oral
- statement, advertisement or sign, or to use a form of 9
- 10 application for a real estate transaction, or to make a record
- 11 or inquiry in connection with a prospective real estate
- transaction, which expresses any limitation founded upon, or 12
- 13 indicates, directly or indirectly, an intent to engage in
- 14 unlawful discrimination;
- 15 (G) Listings. Offer, solicit, accept, use or retain a
- listing of real property with knowledge that unlawful 16
- discrimination or discrimination on the basis of familial 17
- status in a real estate transaction is intended. 18
- Nothing in this Section 3-102 or in any municipal or county 19
- ordinance described in Section 7-108 of this Act shall require 20
- 21 a housing authority, its designated property manager, or any
- 22 other housing authority agents or assigns of any housing
- development project in which 25% or more of the units are owned 23
- 24 by a housing authority or subject to a leasing agreement,
- 25 regulatory and operating agreement, or other similar
- 26 instrument with a housing authority to lease or rent another
- unit of that same housing development project to an existing or 27
- prospective tenant who is receiving subsidies, payment 28
- 29 assistance, contributions, or vouchers under or in connection
- with the federal Housing Choice Voucher (also known as Section 30
- 8) program (42 U.S.C. 1437f) for payment of part or all of the 31
- rent for the unit. 32
- Nothing in this Section 3-102, except with respect to 33
- written statements prohibited by subdivision (F) of this 34

1 Section, shall require or prevent any person whose property is located in a municipality with fewer than 1,000,000 2 3 inhabitants, and is in a concentrated census tract where 3% of the total housing stock in that census tract is occupied by 4 tenants relying on subsidies, payment assistance, 5 contributions, or vouchers under or in connection with the 6 7 federal Housing Choice Voucher (also known as Section 8) program (42 U.S.C. 1437f) for payment of part of the rent for 8 the unit to lease or rent a unit to a prospective tenant who is 9 relying on such a subsidy, payment assistance, contribution, or 10 voucher for payment of part or all of the rent for the unit. 11 The housing authority shall determine which census tracts 12 within its service area meet the concentrated census tract 13 exemption requirements and annually deliver that information 14 15 to the municipalities within its jurisdiction. Nothing in this Section 3-102 prevents an owner or agent 16 from taking into consideration factors other than lawful source 17 of income such as credit history, criminal history, or 18 19 references. 20 Nothing in this Section 3-102 shall require or prevent any 21 person whose property fails to meet federal Housing Quality 22 Standards in connection with the federal Housing Choice Voucher (also known as Section 8) program (42 U.S.C. 1437f) to lease or 23 24 rent a unit to a prospective tenant who is relying on such a 25 subsidy, payment assistance, contribution, or voucher for

(Source: P.A. 86-910.) 27

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28 (775 ILCS 5/8A-104) (from Ch. 68, par. 8A-104)

payment of part or all of the rent for such unit.

Sec. 8A-104. Relief; Penalties. Upon finding a civil rights violation, a hearing officer may recommend and the Commission or any three-member panel thereof may provide for any relief or penalty identified in this Section, separately or combination, by entering an order directing the respondent to:

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- 1 (A) Cease and Desist Order. Cease and desist from any violation of this Act.
- 3 (B) Actual Damages. Pay actual damages, as reasonably determined by the Commission, for injury or loss suffered by the complainant.
 - (C) Hiring; Reinstatement; Promotion; Backpay; Fringe Benefits. Hire, reinstate or upgrade the complainant with or without back pay or provide such fringe benefits as the complainant may have been denied.
- 10 (D) Restoration of Membership; Admission To Programs.

 11 Admit or restore the complainant to labor organization

 12 membership, to a guidance program, apprenticeship training

 13 program, on the job training program, or other occupational

 14 training or retraining program.
- 15 (E) Public Accommodations. Admit the complainant to a public accommodation.
 - (F) Services. Extend to the complainant the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of the respondent.
 - (G) Attorneys Fees; Costs. Pay to the complainant all or a portion of the costs of maintaining the action, including reasonable attorney fees and expert witness fees incurred in maintaining this action before the Department, the Commission and any judicial review judicial enforcement proceedings. Provided, however, that no award of attorney fees or costs shall be made pursuant to this amendatory Act of 1987 with respect to any charge for which the complaint before the Commission was filed prior to December 1, 1987. With respect to all charges for which complaints were filed with the Commission prior to December 1, 1987, attorney fees and costs shall be awarded pursuant to the terms of this subsection as it existed prior to revision by this amendatory Act of 1987.
- 33 (H) Compliance Report. Report as to the manner of compliance.

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- (I) Posting of Notices. Post notices in a conspicuous place which the Commission may publish or cause to be published setting forth requirements for compliance with this Act or other relevant information which the Commission determines necessary to explain this Act.
- (I-1) Training. Participate in training by the Department or other such training as is necessary to prevent future civil rights violations.
 - (J) Make Complainant Whole. Take such action as may be necessary to make the individual complainant whole, including, but not limited to, awards of interest on the complainant's actual damages and backpay from the date of the civil rights violation. Provided, however, that no award of prejudgment interest shall be made pursuant to this amendatory Act of 1987 with respect to any charge in which the complaint before the Commission was filed prior to December 1, 1987. With respect to all charges for which complaints were filed with the Commission prior to December 1, 1987, make whole relief shall be awarded pursuant to this subsection as it existed prior to revision by this amendatory Act of 1987.
- 21 There shall be no distinction made under this Section between complaints filed by the Department and those filed by 22 23 the aggrieved party.
- (Source: P.A. 86-910.) 24
- 25 (775 ILCS 5/8B-104) (from Ch. 68, par. 8B-104)
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- (A) Cease and Desist Order. Cease and desist from any 31 32 violation of this Act.
- (B) Actual Damages. Pay actual damages, as reasonably 33

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- determined by the Commission, for injury or loss suffered by 1 2 the complainant.
- 3 (C) Civil Penalty. Pay a civil penalty to vindicate the 4 public interest:
 - (i) in an amount not exceeding \$10,000 if the respondent has not been adjudged to have committed any prior civil rights violation under Article 3;
 - (ii) in an amount not exceeding \$25,000 if the respondent has been adjudged to have committed one other civil rights violation under Article 3 during the 5-year period ending on the date of the filing of this charge; and
 - (iii) in an amount not exceeding \$50,000 if the respondent has been adjudged to have committed 2 or more civil rights violations under Article 3 during the 7-year period ending on the date of the filing of this charge; except that if the acts constituting the civil rights violation that is the object of the charge are committed by the same natural person who has been previously adjudged to have committed acts constituting a civil rights violation under Article 3, then the civil penalties set forth in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) may be imposed without regard to the period of time within which any subsequent civil rights violation under Article 3 occurred.
 - (D) Attorney Fees; Costs. Pay to the complainant all or a portion of the costs of maintaining the action, including reasonable attorneys fees and expert witness fees incurred in maintaining this action before the Department, the Commission judicial review and judicial enforcement and in any proceedings.
- 29 Compliance Report. Report as to the manner of 30 compliance.
 - (F) Posting of Notices. Post notices in a conspicuous place which the Commission may publish or cause to be published setting forth requirements for compliance with this Act or other relevant information which the Commission determines

- 1 necessary to explain this Act.
- 2 (F-1) Training. Participate in Fair Housing training by the
- 3 Department or other such training as is necessary to prevent
- future civil rights violations. 4
- 5 (G) Make Complainant Whole. Take such action as may be
- necessary to make the individual complainant whole, including, 6
- 7 but not limited to, awards of interest on the complainant's
- actual damages from the date of the civil rights violation. 8
- (Source: P.A. 86-910.) 9
- 10 Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes
- changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text 11
- that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section 12
- 13 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does
- 14 not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes
- made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other 15
- 16 Public Act.
- 17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
- 31, 2006.". 18