94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 28/20

Amends the Income Withholding for Support Act. Provides that the court, at its discretion, may withhold the Social Security Numbers of the child or children from being disclosed in the income withholding notice.

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AN ACT concerning families.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Income Withholding for Support Act is
amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (750 ILCS 28/20)

Sec. 20. Entry of order for support containing income
withholding provisions; income withholding notice.

9 (a) In addition to any content required under other laws, 10 every order for support entered on or after July 1, 1997, 11 shall:

(1) Require an income withholding notice to be prepared 12 13 and served immediately upon any payor of the obligor by the 14 obligee or public office, unless a written agreement is 15 reached between and signed by both parties providing for an 16 alternative arrangement, approved and entered into the 17 record by the court, which ensures payment of support. In 18 that case, the order for support shall provide that an 19 income withholding notice is to be prepared and served only if the obligor becomes delinquent in paying the order for 20 support; and 21

(2) Contain a dollar amount to be paid until payment in
full of any delinquency that accrues after entry of the
order for support. The amount for payment of delinquency
shall not be less than 20% of the total of the current
support amount and the amount to be paid periodically for
payment of any arrearage stated in the order for support;
and

(3) Include the obligor's Social Security Number,
which the obligor shall disclose to the court. If the
obligor is not a United States citizen, the obligor shall
disclose to the court, and the court shall include in the

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1 order for support, the obligor's alien registration 2 number, passport number, and home country's social 3 security or national health number, if applicable.

4 (b) At the time the order for support is entered, the Clerk 5 of the Circuit Court shall provide a copy of the order to the 6 obligor and shall make copies available to the obligee and 7 public office.

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(c) The income withholding notice shall:

(1) be in the standard format prescribed by the federalDepartment of Health and Human Services; and

(1.1) state the date of entry of the order for support upon which the income withholding notice is based; and

13 (2) direct any payor to withhold the dollar amount
14 required for current support under the order for support;
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16 (3) direct any payor to withhold the dollar amount 17 required to be paid periodically under the order for 18 support for payment of the amount of any arrearage stated 19 in the order for support; and

(4) direct any payor or labor union or trade union to
enroll a child as a beneficiary of a health insurance plan
and withhold or cause to be withheld, if applicable, any
required premiums; and

(5) state the amount of the payor income withholding
fee specified under this Section; and

(6) state that the amount actually withheld from the
obligor's income for support and other purposes, including
the payor withholding fee specified under this Section, may
not be in excess of the maximum amount permitted under the
federal Consumer Credit Protection Act; and

(7) state the duties of the payor and the fines and penalties for failure to withhold and pay over income and for discharging, disciplining, refusing to hire, or otherwise penalizing the obligor because of the duty to withhold and pay over income under this Section; and

(8) state the rights, remedies, and duties of the

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obligor under this Section; and

(9) include the Social Security Numbers of the obligor, the obligee, and the child or children included in the order for support; and

5 (10) include the date that withholding for current 6 support terminates, which shall be the date of termination 7 of the current support obligation set forth in the order 8 for support, however, the Social Security Numbers of the 9 <u>child or children may be withheld at the discretion of the</u> 10 <u>court</u>; and

11 (11) contain the signature of the obligee or the 12 printed name and telephone number of the authorized 13 representative of the public office, except that the 14 failure to contain the signature of the obligee or the 15 printed name and telephone number of the authorized 16 representative of the public office shall not affect the 17 validity of the income withholding notice; and

18 (12) direct any payor to pay over amounts withheld for19 payment of support to the State Disbursement Unit.

(d) The accrual of a delinquency as a condition for service of an income withholding notice, under the exception to immediate withholding in subsection (a) of this Section, shall apply only to the initial service of an income withholding notice on a payor of the obligor.

(e) Notwithstanding the exception to immediate withholding contained in subsection (a) of this Section, if the court finds at the time of any hearing that an arrearage has accrued, the court shall order immediate service of an income withholding notice upon the payor.

30 (f) If the order for support, under the exception to 31 immediate withholding contained in subsection (a) of this 32 Section, provides that an income withholding notice is to be 33 prepared and served only if the obligor becomes delinquent in 34 paying the order for support, the obligor may execute a written 35 waiver of that condition and request immediate service on the 36 payor. - 4 - LRB094 04153 LCB 34174 b

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1 (g) The obligee or public office may serve the income 2 withholding notice on the payor or its superintendent, manager, 3 or other agent by ordinary mail or certified mail return 4 by facsimile transmission receipt requested, or other 5 electronic means, by personal delivery, or by any method provided by law for service of a summons. At the time of 6 7 service on the payor and as notice that withholding has 8 commenced, the obligee or public office shall serve a copy of 9 the income withholding notice on the obligor by ordinary mail 10 addressed to his or her last known address. A copy of the 11 income withholding notice together with proofs of service on 12 the payor and the obligor shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. 13

(h) At any time after the initial service of an income withholding notice, any other payor of the obligor may be served with the same income withholding notice without further notice to the obligor. A copy of the income withholding notice together with a proof of service on the other payor shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

(i) New service of an income withholding notice is not required in order to resume withholding of income in the case of an obligor with respect to whom an income withholding notice was previously served on the payor if withholding of income was terminated because of an interruption in the obligor's employment of less than 180 days.

26 (Source: P.A. 90-673, eff. 1-1-99; incorporates P.A. 90-790,
27 eff. 8-14-98; 91-212, eff. 7-20-99; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)