

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB1409

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2630/5.2 720 ILCS 5/1-6 720 ILCS 5/16-1 720 ILCS 5/17-56

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Amends the Criminal Identification Act. Provides that the court shall not order the sealing of the records of arrests or charges not initiated by arrest which result in a conviction for financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability, aggravated identity theft against a person 60 years of age or older or a person with a disability, abuse or criminal neglect of a long term care facility resident, or criminal abuse or neglect of an elderly person or person with a disability. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that a person who commits the offense of financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability may be tried in any one of the following counties in which (1) any part of the offense occurred or (2) the victim or one of the victims reside. Provides that theft by deception from a person with a disability is a Class 2 felony. Provides that consent shall not be a defense to financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability if the accused knew or had reason to know that the elderly person or a person with a disability lacked capacity to consent.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

Section 5. The Criminal Identification Act is amended by changing Section 5.2 as follows:

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6 (20 ILCS 2630/5.2)
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- Sec. 5.2. Expungement and sealing.
- 8 (a) General Provisions.
- 9 (1) Definitions. In this Act, words and phrases have 10 the meanings set forth in this subsection, except when a 11 particular context clearly requires a different meaning.
- 12 (A) The following terms shall have the meanings
 13 ascribed to them in the Unified Code of Corrections,
 14 730 ILCS 5/5-1-2 through 5/5-1-22:
- 15 (i) Business Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-2),
- 16 (ii) Charge (730 ILCS 5/5-1-3),
- 17 (iii) Court (730 ILCS 5/5-1-6),
- 18 (iv) Defendant (730 ILCS 5/5-1-7),
- 19 (v) Felony (730 ILCS 5/5-1-9),
- 20 (vi) Imprisonment (730 ILCS 5/5-1-10),
- 21 (vii) Judgment (730 ILCS 5/5-1-12),
- (viii) Misdemeanor (730 ILCS 5/5-1-14),
- 23 (ix) Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-15),

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L	(x) Parole $(/30 \text{ LCS } 5/5-1-16)$,
2	(xi) Petty Offense (730 ILCS 5/5-1-17),
3	(xii) Probation (730 ILCS 5/5-1-18),
4	(xiii) Sentence (730 ILCS 5/5-1-19),
5	(xiv) Supervision (730 ILCS $5/5-1-21$), and
6	(xv) Victim (730 ILCS 5/5-1-22).

- (B) As used in this Section, "charge not initiated by arrest" means a charge (as defined by 730 ILCS 5/5-1-3) brought against a defendant where the defendant is not arrested prior to or as a direct result of the charge.
- (C) "Conviction" means a judgment of conviction or sentence entered upon a plea of quilty or upon a verdict or finding of guilty of an offense, rendered by a legally constituted jury or by a court of competent jurisdiction authorized to try the case without a jury. An order of supervision successfully completed by the petitioner is not a conviction. An order of qualified probation (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(J)) successfully completed by the petitioner is not a conviction. An order of supervision or an order of qualified probation that is terminated unsatisfactorily is a conviction, unless unsatisfactory termination is reversed, vacated, or modified and the judgment of conviction, if any, is reversed or vacated.

- (D) "Criminal offense" means a petty offense, business offense, misdemeanor, felony, or municipal ordinance violation (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(H)). As used in this Section, a minor traffic offense (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(G)) shall not be considered a criminal offense.
- (E) "Expunge" means to physically destroy the records or return them to the petitioner and to obliterate the petitioner's name from any official index or public record, or both. Nothing in this Act shall require the physical destruction of the circuit court file, but such records relating to arrests or charges, or both, ordered expunged shall be impounded as required by subsections (d)(9)(A)(ii) and (d)(9)(B)(ii).
- (F) As used in this Section, "last sentence" means the sentence, order of supervision, or order of qualified probation (as defined by subsection (a)(1)(J)), for a criminal offense (as defined by subsection (a)(1)(D)) that terminates last in time in any jurisdiction, regardless of whether the petitioner has included the criminal offense for which the sentence or order of supervision or qualified probation was imposed in his or her petition. If multiple sentences, orders of supervision, or orders of qualified probation terminate on the same day and

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are last in time, they shall be collectively considered the "last sentence" regardless of whether they were ordered to run concurrently.

- (G) "Minor traffic offense" means a petty offense, business offense, or Class C misdemeanor under the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a municipal or local ordinance.
- (H) "Municipal ordinance violation" means an offense defined by a municipal or local ordinance that is criminal in nature and with which the petitioner was charged or for which the petitioner was arrested and released without charging.
- (I) "Petitioner" means an adult or a minor prosecuted as an adult who has applied for relief under this Section.
- (J) "Qualified probation" means an order of probation under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 70 of the Methamphetamine Control Community Protection Act, Section 5-6-3.3 or 5-6-3.4 Unified of the Code of Corrections, Section 12-4.3(b)(1) and (2) of the Criminal Code of 1961 (as those provisions existed before their deletion by Public Act 89-313), Section 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act, Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and

Dependency Act, or Section 10 of the Steroid Control Act. For the purpose of this Section, "successful completion" of an order of qualified probation under Section 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act and Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act means that the probation was terminated satisfactorily and the judgment of conviction was vacated.

- (K) "Seal" means to physically and electronically maintain the records, unless the records would otherwise be destroyed due to age, but to make the records unavailable without a court order, subject to the exceptions in Sections 12 and 13 of this Act. The petitioner's name shall also be obliterated from the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order to seal shall not be affected.
- (L) "Sexual offense committed against a minor" includes but is not limited to the offenses of indecent solicitation of a child or criminal sexual abuse when the victim of such offense is under 18 years of age.
- (M) "Terminate" as it relates to a sentence or order of supervision or qualified probation includes either satisfactory or unsatisfactory termination of the sentence, unless otherwise specified in this

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1 Section.

- (2) Minor Traffic Offenses. Orders of supervision or convictions for minor traffic offenses shall not affect a petitioner's eligibility to expunge or seal records pursuant to this Section.
- (2.5) Commencing 180 days after July 29, 2016 (the effective date of Public Act 99-697) this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, the law enforcement agency issuing the citation shall automatically expunge, on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year, the law enforcement records of a person found to have committed a civil law violation of subsection (a) of Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act or subsection (c) of Section 3.5 of the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act in the law enforcement agency's possession or control and which contains the final satisfactory disposition which pertain to the person issued a citation for that offense. The law enforcement agency shall provide by rule the process for access, review, and to confirm the automatic expungement by the law enforcement agency issuing the citation. Commencing 180 days after July 29, 2016 (the effective date of Public Act 99-697) this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, the clerk of the circuit court shall expunge, upon order of the court, or in the absence of a court order on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year, the court records of a person found in the circuit court to have committed a civil

law violation of subsection (a) of Section 4 of the Cannabis Control Act or subsection (c) of Section 3.5 of the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act in the clerk's possession or control and which contains the final satisfactory disposition which pertain to the person issued a citation for any of those offenses.

- (3) Exclusions. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b)(5), (b)(6), (b)(8), (e), (e-5), and (e-6) of this Section, the court shall not order:
 - (A) the sealing or expungement of the records of arrests or charges not initiated by arrest that result in an order of supervision for or conviction of: (i) any sexual offense committed against a minor; (ii) Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance; or (iii) Section 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, unless the arrest or charge is for a misdemeanor violation of subsection (a) of Section 11-503 or a similar provision of a local ordinance, that occurred prior to the offender reaching the age of 25 years and the offender has no other conviction for violating Section 11-501 or 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance.
 - (B) the sealing or expungement of records of minor traffic offenses (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(G)),

1	unless the petitioner was arrested and released
2	without charging.
3	(C) the sealing of the records of arrests or
4	charges not initiated by arrest which result in an
5	order of supervision or a conviction for the following
6	offenses:
7	(i) offenses included in Article 11 of the
8	Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012
9	or a similar provision of a local ordinance, except
10	Section 11-14 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the
11	Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a
12	local ordinance;
13	(ii) Section 11-1.50, 12-3.4, 12-15, 12-30,
14	26-5, or 48-1 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the
15	Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a
16	local ordinance;
17	(iii) Sections 12-3.1 or 12-3.2 of the
18	Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012,
19	or Section 125 of the Stalking No Contact Order
20	Act, or Section 219 of the Civil No Contact Order
21	Act, or a similar provision of a local ordinance;
22	(iv) offenses which are Class A misdemeanors
23	under the Humane Care for Animals Act; er
24	(v) any offense or attempted offense that
25	would subject a person to registration under the
26	Sex Offender Registration Act; or -

1	(vi) Section 16-1.3, 12-21, 16G-20, 12-4.4a,
2	or 17-56 or paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of
3	Section 16-30 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the
4	Criminal Code of 2012 or a similar provision of a
5	local ordinance.
6	(D) the sealing of the records of an arrest which
7	results in the petitioner being charged with a felony
8	offense or records of a charge not initiated by arrest
9	for a felony offense unless:
10	(i) the charge is amended to a misdemeanor and
11	is otherwise eligible to be sealed pursuant to
12	<pre>subsection (c);</pre>
13	(ii) the charge is brought along with another
14	charge as a part of one case and the charge results
15	in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when the
16	conviction was reversed or vacated, and another
17	charge brought in the same case results in a
18	disposition for a misdemeanor offense that is
19	eligible to be sealed pursuant to subsection (c) or
20	a disposition listed in paragraph (i), (iii), or
21	(iv) of this subsection;
22	(iii) the charge results in first offender
23	probation as set forth in subsection (c)(2)(E);
24	(iv) the charge is for a felony offense listed
25	in subsection (c)(2)(F) or the charge is amended to
26	a felony offense listed in subsection (c)(2)(F);

- 1 (v) the charge results in acquittal,
 2 dismissal, or the petitioner's release without
 3 conviction; or
 - (vi) the charge results in a conviction, but the conviction was reversed or vacated.

(b) Expungement.

- (1) A petitioner may petition the circuit court to expunge the records of his or her arrests and charges not initiated by arrest when each arrest or charge not initiated by arrest sought to be expunged resulted in: (i) acquittal, dismissal, or the petitioner's release without charging, unless excluded by subsection (a) (3) (B); (ii) a conviction which was vacated or reversed, unless excluded by subsection (a) (3) (B); (iii) an order of supervision and such supervision was successfully completed by the petitioner, unless excluded by subsection (a) (3) (A) or (a) (3) (B); or (iv) an order of qualified probation (as defined in subsection (a) (1) (J)) and such probation was successfully completed by the petitioner.
- (1.5) When a petitioner seeks to have a record of arrest expunged under this Section, and the offender has been convicted of a criminal offense, the State's Attorney may object to the expungement on the grounds that the records contain specific relevant information aside from the mere fact of the arrest.
 - (2) Time frame for filing a petition to expunge.

- (A) When the arrest or charge not initiated by arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an acquittal, dismissal, the petitioner's release without charging, or the reversal or vacation of a conviction, there is no waiting period to petition for the expungement of such records.
- (B) When the arrest or charge not initiated by arrest sought to be expunded resulted in an order of supervision, successfully completed by the petitioner, the following time frames will apply:
 - (i) Those arrests or charges that resulted in orders of supervision under Section 3-707, 3-708, 3-710, or 5-401.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, or under Section 11-1.50, 12-3.2, or 12-15 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a local ordinance, shall not be eligible for expungement until 5 years have passed following the satisfactory termination of the supervision.
 - (i-5) Those arrests or charges that resulted in orders of supervision for a misdemeanor violation of subsection (a) of Section 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, that occurred prior to the offender reaching the age of 25 years and the

offender has no other conviction for violating Section 11-501 or 11-503 of the Illinois Vehicle Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance shall not be eligible for expungement until the petitioner has reached the age of 25 years.

- (ii) Those arrests or charges that resulted in orders of supervision for any other offenses shall not be eligible for expungement until 2 years have passed following the satisfactory termination of the supervision.
- (C) When the arrest or charge not initiated by arrest sought to be expunged resulted in an order of qualified probation, successfully completed by the petitioner, such records shall not be eligible for expungement until 5 years have passed following the satisfactory termination of the probation.
- (3) Those records maintained by the Department for persons arrested prior to their 17th birthday shall be expunged as provided in Section 5-915 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.
- (4) Whenever a person has been arrested for or convicted of any offense, in the name of a person whose identity he or she has stolen or otherwise come into possession of, the aggrieved person from whom the identity was stolen or otherwise obtained without authorization, upon learning of the person having been arrested using his

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or her identity, may, upon verified petition to the chief judge of the circuit wherein the arrest was made, have a court order entered nunc pro tunc by the Chief Judge to correct the arrest record, conviction record, if any, and all official records of the arresting authority, the agencies, Department, other criminal justice the prosecutor, and the trial court concerning such arrest, if any, by removing his or her name from all such records in connection with the arrest and conviction, if any, and by inserting in the records the name of the offender, if known or ascertainable, in lieu of the aggrieved's name. The records of the circuit court clerk shall be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause shown and the name of the aggrieved person obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. Nothing in this Section shall limit the Department of State Police or other criminal justice agencies or prosecutors from listing under an offender's name the false names he or she has used.

(5) Whenever a person has been convicted of criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal sexual abuse, or aggravated criminal sexual abuse, the

victim of that offense may request that the State's Attorney of the county in which the conviction occurred file a verified petition with the presiding trial judge at the petitioner's trial to have a court order entered to seal the records of the circuit court clerk in connection with the proceedings of the trial court concerning that offense. However, the records of the arresting authority and the Department of State Police concerning the offense shall not be sealed. The court, upon good cause shown, shall make the records of the circuit court clerk in connection with the proceedings of the trial court concerning the offense available for public inspection.

- (6) If a conviction has been set aside on direct review or on collateral attack and the court determines by clear and convincing evidence that the petitioner was factually innocent of the charge, the court that finds the petitioner factually innocent of the charge shall enter an expungement order for the conviction for which the petitioner has been determined to be innocent as provided in subsection (b) of Section 5-5-4 of the Unified Code of Corrections.
- (7) Nothing in this Section shall prevent the Department of State Police from maintaining all records of any person who is admitted to probation upon terms and conditions and who fulfills those terms and conditions pursuant to Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 70

of the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, Section 5-6-3.3 or 5-6-3.4 of the Unified Code of Corrections, Section 12-4.3 or subdivision (b)(1) of Section 12-3.05 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, Section 10-102 of the Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency Act, Section 40-10 of the Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act, or Section 10 of the Steroid Control Act.

- (8) If the petitioner has been granted a certificate of innocence under Section 2-702 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the court that grants the certificate of innocence shall also enter an order expunging the conviction for which the petitioner has been determined to be innocent as provided in subsection (h) of Section 2-702 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (c) Sealing.
- (1) Applicability. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, and cumulative with any rights to expungement of criminal records, this subsection authorizes the sealing of criminal records of adults and of minors prosecuted as adults.
- (2) Eligible Records. The following records may be sealed:
- (A) All arrests resulting in release without charging;
 - (B) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest

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1	resulting in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when
2	the conviction was reversed or vacated, except as
3	excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B);
4	(C) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
5	resulting in orders of supervision, including orders
6	of supervision for municipal ordinance violations,
7	successfully completed by the petitioner, unless
8	excluded by subsection (a)(3);
9	(D) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
10	resulting in convictions, including convictions on
11	municipal ordinance violations, unless excluded by
12	subsection (a)(3);
13	(E) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
14	resulting in orders of first offender probation under
15	Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of
16	the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, Section 70 of
17	the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection
18	Act, or Section 5-6-3.3 of the Unified Code of
19	Corrections; and
20	(F) Arrests or charges not initiated by arrest
21	resulting in felony convictions for the following
22	offenses:
23	(i) Class 4 felony convictions for:

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1	Possession of cannabis under Section 4 of
2	the Cannabis Control Act.
3	Possession of a controlled substance under
4	Section 402 of the Illinois Controlled
5	Substances Act.
6	Offenses under the Methamphetamine
7	Precursor Control Act.
8	Offenses under the Steroid Control Act.
9	Theft under Section 16-1 of the Criminal
10	Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
11	Retail theft under Section 16A-3 or
12	paragraph (a) of 16-25 of the Criminal Code of
13	1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
14	Deceptive practices under Section 17-1 of
15	the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code
16	of 2012.
17	Forgery under Section 17-3 of the Criminal
18	Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
19	Possession of burglary tools under Section
20	19-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the
21	Criminal Code of 2012.
22	(ii) Class 3 felony convictions for:
23	Theft under Section 16-1 of the Criminal
24	Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
25	Retail theft under Section 16A-3 or
26	naragraph (a) of 16-25 of the Criminal Code of

1	1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
2	Deceptive practices under Section 17-1 of
3	the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code
4	of 2012.
5	Forgery under Section 17-3 of the Criminal
6	Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.
7	Possession with intent to manufacture or
8	deliver a controlled substance under Section
9	401 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.
10	(3) When Records Are Eligible to Be Sealed. Records
11	identified as eligible under subsection (c)(2) may be
12	sealed as follows:
13	(A) Records identified as eligible under
14	subsection (c)(2)(A) and (c)(2)(B) may be sealed at any
15	time.
16	(B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph
17	(E) of this paragraph (3), records identified as
18	eligible under subsection (c)(2)(C) may be sealed 2
19	years after the termination of petitioner's last
20	sentence (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(F)).
21	(C) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph
22	(E) of this paragraph (3), records identified as
23	eligible under subsections (c)(2)(D), (c)(2)(E), and
24	(c)(2)(F) may be sealed 3 years after the termination
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- 1 (D) Records identified in subsection 2 (a)(3)(A)(iii) may be sealed after the petitioner has 3 reached the age of 25 years.
 - Records identified as eligible (E) under (c)(2)(C), (c)(2)(D),subsections (c)(2)(E), (c)(2)(F) may be sealed upon termination of petitioner's last sentence if the petitioner earned a high school diploma, associate's degree, career certificate, vocational technical certification, or bachelor's degree, or passed the high school level Test of General Educational Development, during the period of his or her sentence, aftercare release, or mandatory supervised release. This subparagraph shall apply only to a petitioner who has not completed the same educational goal prior to the period of his or her sentence, aftercare release, or mandatory supervised release. If a petition for sealing eligible records filed under this subparagraph is denied by the court, the time periods under subparagraph (B) or (C) shall apply to any subsequent petition for sealing filed by the petitioner.
 - (4) Subsequent felony convictions. A person may not have subsequent felony conviction records sealed as provided in this subsection (c) if he or she is convicted of any felony offense after the date of the sealing of prior felony convictions as provided in this subsection

- (c). The court may, upon conviction for a subsequent felony offense, order the unsealing of prior felony conviction records previously ordered sealed by the court.
 - (5) Notice of eligibility for sealing. Upon entry of a disposition for an eligible record under this subsection (c), the petitioner shall be informed by the court of the right to have the records sealed and the procedures for the sealing of the records.
 - (d) Procedure. The following procedures apply to expungement under subsections (b), (e), and (e-6) and sealing under subsections (c) and (e-5):
 - (1) Filing the petition. Upon becoming eligible to petition for the expungement or sealing of records under this Section, the petitioner shall file a petition requesting the expungement or sealing of records with the clerk of the court where the arrests occurred or the charges were brought, or both. If arrests occurred or charges were brought in multiple jurisdictions, a petition must be filed in each such jurisdiction. The petitioner shall pay the applicable fee, except no fee shall be required if the petitioner has obtained a court order waiving fees under Supreme Court Rule 298 or it is otherwise waived.
 - (1.5) County fee waiver pilot program. In a county of 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, no fee shall be required to be paid by a petitioner if the records sought to be

expunged or sealed were arrests resulting in release without charging or arrests or charges not initiated by arrest resulting in acquittal, dismissal, or conviction when the conviction was reversed or vacated, unless excluded by subsection (a)(3)(B). The provisions of this paragraph (1.5), other than this sentence, are inoperative on and after January 1, 2018 or one year after January 1, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act 99-881) this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, whichever is later.

- (2) Contents of petition. The petition shall be verified and shall contain the petitioner's name, date of birth, current address and, for each arrest or charge not initiated by arrest sought to be sealed or expunged, the case number, the date of arrest (if any), the identity of the arresting authority, and such other information as the court may require. During the pendency of the proceeding, the petitioner shall promptly notify the circuit court clerk of any change of his or her address. If the petitioner has received a certificate of eligibility for sealing from the Prisoner Review Board under paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Section 3-3-2 of the Unified Code of Corrections, the certificate shall be attached to the petition.
- (3) Drug test. The petitioner must attach to the petition proof that the petitioner has passed a test taken

within 30 days before the filing of the petition showing the absence within his or her body of all illegal substances as defined by the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, and the Cannabis Control Act if he or she is petitioning to:

- (A) seal felony records under clause (c)(2)(E);
- (B) seal felony records for a violation of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, or the Cannabis Control Act under clause (c) (2) (F);
 - (C) seal felony records under subsection (e-5); or
- (D) expunge felony records of a qualified probation under clause (b)(1)(iv).
- (4) Service of petition. The circuit court clerk shall promptly serve a copy of the petition and documentation to support the petition under subsection (e-5) or (e-6) on the State's Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of prosecuting the offense, the Department of State Police, the arresting agency and the chief legal officer of the unit of local government effecting the arrest.
 - (5) Objections.
 - (A) Any party entitled to notice of the petition may file an objection to the petition. All objections shall be in writing, shall be filed with the circuit court clerk, and shall state with specificity the basis

of the objection. Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense is granted a pardon by the Governor which specifically authorizes expungement, an objection to the petition may not be filed.

- (B) Objections to a petition to expunge or seal must be filed within 60 days of the date of service of the petition.
- (6) Entry of order.
- (A) The Chief Judge of the circuit wherein the charge was brought, any judge of that circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the petitioner's trial, if any, shall rule on the petition to expunge or seal as set forth in this subsection (d) (6).
- (B) Unless the State's Attorney or prosecutor, the Department of State Police, the arresting agency, or the chief legal officer files an objection to the petition to expunge or seal within 60 days from the date of service of the petition, the court shall enter an order granting or denying the petition.
- (7) Hearings. If an objection is filed, the court shall set a date for a hearing and notify the petitioner and all parties entitled to notice of the petition of the hearing date at least 30 days prior to the hearing. Prior to the hearing, the State's Attorney shall consult with the

Department as to the appropriateness of the relief sought in the petition to expunge or seal. At the hearing, the court shall hear evidence on whether the petition should or should not be granted, and shall grant or deny the petition to expunge or seal the records based on the evidence presented at the hearing. The court may consider the following:

- (A) the strength of the evidence supporting the defendant's conviction:
- (B) the reasons for retention of the conviction records by the State;
- (C) the petitioner's age, criminal record history, and employment history;
- (D) the period of time between the petitioner's arrest on the charge resulting in the conviction and the filing of the petition under this Section; and
- (E) the specific adverse consequences the petitioner may be subject to if the petition is denied.
- (8) Service of order. After entering an order to expunge or seal records, the court must provide copies of the order to the Department, in a form and manner prescribed by the Department, to the petitioner, to the State's Attorney or prosecutor charged with the duty of prosecuting the offense, to the arresting agency, to the chief legal officer of the unit of local government effecting the arrest, and to such other criminal justice

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1	agencies as may be ordered by the court.
2	(9) Implementation of order.
3	(A) Upon entry of an order to expunge records
4	pursuant to (b)(2)(A) or (b)(2)(B)(ii), or both:
5	(i) the records shall be expunged (as defined
6	in subsection (a)(1)(E)) by the arresting agency,
7	the Department, and any other agency as ordered by
8	the court, within 60 days of the date of service of
9	the order, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or
10	reconsider the order is filed pursuant to
11	paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;
12	(ii) the records of the circuit court clerk
13	shall be impounded until further order of the court
14	upon good cause shown and the name of the
15	petitioner obliterated on the official index
16	required to be kept by the circuit court clerk
17	under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but
18	the order shall not affect any index issued by the
19	circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;
20	and
21	(iii) in response to an inquiry for expunged
22	records, the court, the Department, or the agency
23	receiving such inquiry, shall reply as it does in
24	response to inquiries when no records ever

(B) Upon entry of an order to expunge records

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pursuant to (b) (2) (B) (i) or (b) (2) (C), or both:

- (i) the records shall be expunged (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(E)) by the arresting agency and any other agency as ordered by the court, within 60 days of the date of service of the order, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed pursuant to paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;
- (ii) the records of the circuit court clerk shall be impounded until further order of the court upon good cause shown and the name of the petitioner obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;
- (iii) the records shall be impounded by the Department within 60 days of the date of service of the order as ordered by the court, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed pursuant to paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;
- (iv) records impounded by the Department may be disseminated by the Department only as required by law or to the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the

same or a similar offense or for the purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony, and to the Department of Corrections upon conviction for any offense; and

- (v) in response to an inquiry for such records from anyone not authorized by law to access such records, the court, the Department, or the agency receiving such inquiry shall reply as it does in response to inquiries when no records ever existed.
- (B-5) Upon entry of an order to expunge records under subsection (e-6):
 - (i) the records shall be expunged (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(E)) by the arresting agency and any other agency as ordered by the court, within 60 days of the date of service of the order, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed under paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;
 - (ii) the records of the circuit court clerk shall be impounded until further order of the court upon good cause shown and the name of the petitioner obliterated on the official index required to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act, but the order shall not affect any index issued by the

circuit court clerk before the entry of the order;

(iii) the records shall be impounded by the Department within 60 days of the date of service of the order as ordered by the court, unless a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order is filed under paragraph (12) of subsection (d) of this Section;

- (iv) records impounded by the Department may be disseminated by the Department only as required by law or to the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or a similar offense or for the purpose of sentencing for any subsequent felony, and to the Department of Corrections upon conviction for any offense; and
- (v) in response to an inquiry for these records from anyone not authorized by law to access the records, the court, the Department, or the agency receiving the inquiry shall reply as it does in response to inquiries when no records ever existed.
- (C) Upon entry of an order to seal records under subsection (c), the arresting agency, any other agency as ordered by the court, the Department, and the court shall seal the records (as defined in subsection (a)(1)(K)). In response to an inquiry for such records,

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- (D) The Department shall send written notice to the petitioner of its compliance with each order to expunge or seal records within 60 days of the date of service of that order or, if a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider is filed, within 60 days of service of the order resolving the motion, if that order requires the Department to expunge or seal records. In the event of an appeal from the circuit court order, the Department shall send written notice to the petitioner of its compliance with an Appellate Court or Supreme Court judgment to expunge or seal records within 60 days of the issuance of the court's mandate. The notice is not required while any motion to vacate, modify, reconsider, or any appeal petition for or discretionary appellate review, is pending.
- (10) Fees. The Department may charge the petitioner a fee equivalent to the cost of processing any order to expunge or seal records. Notwithstanding any provision of the Clerks of Courts Act to the contrary, the circuit court clerk may charge a fee equivalent to the cost associated with the sealing or expungement of records by the circuit court clerk. From the total filing fee collected for the

petition to seal or expunge, the circuit court clerk shall deposit \$10 into the Circuit Court Clerk Operation and Administrative Fund, to be used to offset the costs incurred by the circuit court clerk in performing the additional duties required to serve the petition to seal or expunge on all parties. The circuit court clerk shall collect and forward the Department of State Police portion of the fee to the Department and it shall be deposited in the State Police Services Fund.

- (11) Final Order. No court order issued under the expungement or sealing provisions of this Section shall become final for purposes of appeal until 30 days after service of the order on the petitioner and all parties entitled to notice of the petition.
- (12) Motion to Vacate, Modify, or Reconsider. Under Section 2-1203 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the petitioner or any party entitled to notice may file a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider the order granting or denying the petition to expunge or seal within 60 days of service of the order. If filed more than 60 days after service of the order, a petition to vacate, modify, or reconsider shall comply with subsection (c) of Section 2-1401 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Upon filing of a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider, notice of the motion shall be served upon the petitioner and all parties entitled to notice of the petition.

- (13) Effect of Order. An order granting a petition under the expungement or sealing provisions of this Section shall not be considered void because it fails to comply with the provisions of this Section or because of any error asserted in a motion to vacate, modify, or reconsider. The circuit court retains jurisdiction to determine whether the order is voidable and to vacate, modify, or reconsider its terms based on a motion filed under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d).
- (14) Compliance with Order Granting Petition to Seal Records. Unless a court has entered a stay of an order granting a petition to seal, all parties entitled to notice of the petition must fully comply with the terms of the order within 60 days of service of the order even if a party is seeking relief from the order through a motion filed under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d) or is appealing the order.
- (15) Compliance with Order Granting Petition to Expunge Records. While a party is seeking relief from the order granting the petition to expunge through a motion filed under paragraph (12) of this subsection (d) or is appealing the order, and unless a court has entered a stay of that order, the parties entitled to notice of the petition must seal, but need not expunge, the records until there is a final order on the motion for relief or, in the case of an appeal, the issuance of that court's mandate.

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(16) The changes to this subsection (d) made by Public Act 98-163 apply to all petitions pending on August 5, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-163) and to all orders ruling on a petition to expunge or seal on or after August 5, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-163).

(e) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense is granted a pardon by the Governor which specifically authorizes expungement, he or she may, upon verified petition to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the defendant's trial, have a court order entered expunging the record of arrest from the official records of the arresting authority and order that the records of the circuit court clerk and the Department be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the defendant obliterated from the official index requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the offense for which he or she had been pardoned but the order shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. All records sealed by the Department may be disseminated by the Department only to the arresting authority, the State's Attorney, and the court upon a later arrest for the same or similar offense or for the purpose

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(e-5) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense is granted a certificate of eligibility for sealing by the Prisoner Review Board which specifically authorizes sealing, he or she may, upon verified petition to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the petitioner's trial, have a court order entered sealing the record of arrest from the official records of the arresting authority and order that the records of the circuit court clerk and the Department be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the petitioner obliterated from the official index requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the offense for which he or she had been granted the certificate but the order shall not affect any index issued by the circuit court clerk before the entry of the order. All records sealed by the Department may be disseminated by the Department only as

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(e-6) Whenever a person who has been convicted of an offense is granted a certificate of eligibility for expungement by the Prisoner Review Board which specifically authorizes expungement, he or she may, upon verified petition to the Chief Judge of the circuit where the person had been convicted, any judge of the circuit designated by the Chief Judge, or in counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants, the presiding trial judge at the petitioner's trial, have a court order entered expunging the record of arrest from the official records of the arresting authority and order that the records of the circuit court clerk and the Department be sealed until further order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise provided herein, and the name of the petitioner obliterated from the official index requested to be kept by the circuit court clerk under Section 16 of the Clerks of Courts Act in connection with the arrest and conviction for the

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(f) Subject to available funding, the Illinois Department of Corrections shall conduct a study of the impact of sealing, especially on employment and recidivism rates, utilizing a random sample of those who apply for the sealing of their criminal records under Public Act 93-211. At the request of the Illinois Department of Corrections, records of the Illinois Department of Employment Security shall be utilized as appropriate to assist in the study. The study shall not data in manner that would disclose any а allow identification of any particular individual or employing unit. The study shall be made available to the General Assembly no later than September 1, 2010.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 98-133, eff. 1-1-14; 98-142, eff. 1-1-14; 98-163,
- eff. 8-5-13; 98-164, eff. 1-1-14; 98-399, eff. 8-16-13; 98-635,
- 3 eff. 1-1-15; 98-637, eff. 1-1-15; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14;
- 4 98-1009, eff. 1-1-15; 99-78, eff. 7-20-15; 99-378, eff. 1-1-16;
- 5 99-385, eff. 1-1-16; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16; 99-697, eff.
- 6 7-29-16; 99-881, eff. 1-1-17; revised 9-2-16.)
- 7 Section 10. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by
- 8 changing Sections 1-6, 16-1, and 17-56 as follows:
- 9 (720 ILCS 5/1-6) (from Ch. 38, par. 1-6)
- 10 Sec. 1-6. Place of trial.
- 11 (a) Generally.
- 12 Criminal actions shall be tried in the county where the
- offense was committed, except as otherwise provided by law. The
- 14 State is not required to prove during trial that the alleged
- offense occurred in any particular county in this State. When a
- 16 defendant contests the place of trial under this Section, all
- 17 proceedings regarding this issue shall be conducted under
- 18 Section 114-1 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. All
- objections of improper place of trial are waived by a defendant
- 20 unless made before trial.
- 21 (b) Assailant and Victim in Different Counties.
- If a person committing an offense upon the person of
- another is located in one county and his victim is located in
- another county at the time of the commission of the offense,

- 1 trial may be had in either of said counties.
- 2 (c) Death and Cause of Death in Different Places or
- 3 Undetermined.
- 4 If cause of death is inflicted in one county and death
- 5 ensues in another county, the offender may be tried in either
- 6 county. If neither the county in which the cause of death was
- 7 inflicted nor the county in which death ensued are known before
- 8 trial, the offender may be tried in the county where the body
- 9 was found.
- 10 (d) Offense Commenced Outside the State.
- If the commission of an offense commenced outside the State
- is consummated within this State, the offender shall be tried
- in the county where the offense is consummated.
- 14 (e) Offenses Committed in Bordering Navigable Waters.
- 15 If an offense is committed on any of the navigable waters
- 16 bordering on this State, the offender may be tried in any
- 17 county adjacent to such navigable water.
- 18 (f) Offenses Committed while in Transit.
- 19 If an offense is committed upon any railroad car, vehicle,
- 20 watercraft or aircraft passing within this State, and it cannot
- 21 readily be determined in which county the offense was
- 22 committed, the offender may be tried in any county through
- 23 which such railroad car, vehicle, watercraft or aircraft has
- passed.
- 25 (g) Theft.
- A person who commits theft of property may be tried in any

- 1 county in which he exerted control over such property.
- 2 (h) Bigamy.
- 3 A person who commits the offense of bigamy may be tried in
- 4 any county where the bigamous marriage or bigamous cohabitation
- 5 has occurred.
- 6 (i) Kidnaping.
- 7 A person who commits the offense of kidnaping may be tried
- 8 in any county in which his victim has traveled or has been
- 9 confined during the course of the offense.
- 10 (j) Pandering.
- 11 A person who commits the offense of pandering as set forth
- 12 in subdivision (a) (2) (A) or (a) (2) (B) of Section 11-14.3 may be
- tried in any county in which the prostitution was practiced or
- in any county in which any act in furtherance of the offense
- shall have been committed.
- 16 (k) Treason.
- A person who commits the offense of treason may be tried in
- 18 any county.
- 19 (1) Criminal Defamation.
- 20 If criminal defamation is spoken, printed or written in one
- 21 county and is received or circulated in another or other
- 22 counties, the offender shall be tried in the county where the
- 23 defamation is spoken, printed or written. If the defamation is
- spoken, printed or written outside this state, or the offender
- 25 resides outside this state, the offender may be tried in any
- 26 county in this state in which the defamation was circulated or

1 received.

- 2 (m) Inchoate Offenses.
- A person who commits an inchoate offense may be tried in any county in which any act which is an element of the offense, including the agreement in conspiracy, is committed.
- 6 (n) Accountability for Conduct of Another.
 - Where a person in one county solicits, aids, abets, agrees, or attempts to aid another in the planning or commission of an offense in another county, he may be tried for the offense in either county.
 - (o) Child Abduction.
 - A person who commits the offense of child abduction may be tried in any county in which his victim has traveled, been detained, concealed or removed to during the course of the offense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless for good cause shown, the preferred place of trial shall be the county of the residence of the lawful custodian.
 - (p) A person who commits the offense of narcotics racketeering may be tried in any county where cannabis or a controlled substance which is the basis for the charge of narcotics racketeering was used; acquired; transferred or distributed to, from or through; or any county where any act was performed to further the use; acquisition, transfer or distribution of said cannabis or controlled substance; any money, property, property interest, or any other asset generated by narcotics activities was acquired, used, sold,

- transferred or distributed to, from or through; or, any enterprise interest obtained as a result of narcotics racketeering was acquired, used, transferred or distributed to, from or through, or where any activity was conducted by the enterprise or any conduct to further the interests of such an enterprise.
 - (q) A person who commits the offense of money laundering may be tried in any county where any part of a financial transaction in criminally derived property took place or in any county where any money or monetary instrument which is the basis for the offense was acquired, used, sold, transferred or distributed to, from or through.
 - (r) A person who commits the offense of cannabis trafficking or controlled substance trafficking may be tried in any county.
 - (s) A person who commits the offense of online sale of stolen property, online theft by deception, or electronic fencing may be tried in any county where any one or more elements of the offense took place, regardless of whether the element of the offense was the result of acts by the accused, the victim or by another person, and regardless of whether the defendant was ever physically present within the boundaries of the county.
 - (t) A person who commits the offense of identity theft or aggravated identity theft may be tried in any one of the following counties in which: (1) the offense occurred; (2) the

- 1 information used to commit the offense was illegally used; or
- 2 (3) the victim resides.
- 3 (u) A person who commits the offense of financial
- 4 exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability
- 5 may be tried in any one of the following counties in which (1)
- 6 any part of the offense occurred or (2) the victim or one of
- 7 <u>the victims reside.</u>
- 8 If a person is charged with more than one violation of
- 9 identity theft or aggravated identity theft and those
- 10 violations may be tried in more than one county, any of those
- 11 counties is a proper venue for all of the violations.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.)
- 13 (720 ILCS 5/16-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 16-1)
- 14 Sec. 16-1. Theft.

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- 15 (a) A person commits theft when he or she knowingly:
- 16 (1) Obtains or exerts unauthorized control over 17 property of the owner; or
- 18 (2) Obtains by deception control over property of the
 19 owner; or
- 20 (3) Obtains by threat control over property of the owner; or
 - (4) Obtains control over stolen property knowing the property to have been stolen or under such circumstances as would reasonably induce him or her to believe that the property was stolen; or

(5) Obtains or exerts control over property in the
custody of any law enforcement agency which any law
enforcement officer or any individual acting in behalf of a
law enforcement agency explicitly represents to the person
as being stolen or represents to the person such
circumstances as would reasonably induce the person to
believe that the property was stolen, and

- (A) Intends to deprive the owner permanently of the use or benefit of the property; or
- (B) Knowingly uses, conceals or abandons the property in such manner as to deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit; or
- (C) Uses, conceals, or abandons the property knowing such use, concealment or abandonment probably will deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit.
- (b) Sentence.
- (1) Theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value is a Class A misdemeanor.
- (1.1) Theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value is a Class 4 felony if the theft was committed in a school or place of worship or if the theft was of governmental property.
- (2) A person who has been convicted of theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value who has been previously convicted of any type of

theft, robbery, armed robbery, burglary, residential burglary, possession of burglary tools, home invasion, forgery, a violation of Section 4-103, 4-103.1, 4-103.2, or 4-103.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code relating to the possession of a stolen or converted motor vehicle, or a violation of Section 17-36 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or Section 8 of the Illinois Credit Card and Debit Card Act is guilty of a Class 4 felony.

- (3) (Blank).
- (4) Theft of property from the person not exceeding \$500 in value, or theft of property exceeding \$500 and not exceeding \$10,000 in value, is a Class 3 felony.
- (4.1) Theft of property from the person not exceeding \$500 in value, or theft of property exceeding \$500 and not exceeding \$10,000 in value, is a Class 2 felony if the theft was committed in a school or place of worship or if the theft was of governmental property.
- (5) Theft of property exceeding \$10,000 and not exceeding \$100,000 in value is a Class 2 felony.
- (5.1) Theft of property exceeding \$10,000 and not exceeding \$100,000 in value is a Class 1 felony if the theft was committed in a school or place of worship or if the theft was of governmental property.
- (6) Theft of property exceeding \$100,000 and not exceeding \$500,000 in value is a Class 1 felony.

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- (6.2) Theft of property exceeding \$500,000 and not exceeding \$1,000,000 in value is a Class 1 non-probationable felony.
- (6.3) Theft of property exceeding \$1,000,000 in value is a Class X felony.
- (7) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender obtained money or property valued at \$5,000 or more from a victim 60 years of age or older or a person with a disability is a Class 2 felony.
- (8) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit from a tenant is a Class 3 felony if the rent payment or security deposit obtained does not exceed \$500.
- (9) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit from a tenant is a Class 2 felony if the rent payment or security deposit obtained exceeds \$500 and does not exceed

1 \$10,000.

- (10) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit from a tenant is a Class 1 felony if the rent payment or security deposit obtained exceeds \$10,000 and does not exceed \$100,000.
- (11) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit from a tenant is a Class X felony if the rent payment or security deposit obtained exceeds \$100,000.
- (c) When a charge of theft of property exceeding a specified value is brought, the value of the property involved is an element of the offense to be resolved by the trier of fact as either exceeding or not exceeding the specified value.
- (d) Theft by lessee; permissive inference. The trier of fact may infer evidence that a person intends to deprive the owner permanently of the use or benefit of the property (1) if a lessee of the personal property of another fails to return it to the owner within 10 days after written demand from the owner for its return or (2) if a lessee of the personal property of another fails to return it to the owner within 24 hours after written demand from the owner for its return and the lessee had

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- presented identification to the owner that contained a materially fictitious name, address, or telephone number. A notice in writing, given after the expiration of the leasing agreement, addressed and mailed, by registered mail, to the lessee at the address given by him and shown on the leasing agreement shall constitute proper demand.
 - (e) Permissive inference; evidence of intent that a person obtains by deception control over property. The trier of fact may infer that a person "knowingly obtains by deception control over property of the owner" when he or she fails to return, within 45 days after written demand from the owner, the downpayment and any additional payments accepted under a promise, oral or in writing, to perform services for the owner for consideration of \$3,000 or more, and the promisor knowingly without good cause failed to substantially perform pursuant to the agreement after taking a down payment of 10% or more of the agreed upon consideration. This provision shall not apply where the owner initiated the suspension of performance under the agreement, or where the promisor responds to the notice within the 45-day notice period. A notice in writing, addressed and mailed, by registered mail, to the promisor at the last known address of the promisor, shall constitute proper demand.
 - (f) Offender's interest in the property.
 - (1) It is no defense to a charge of theft of property that the offender has an interest therein, when the owner also has an interest to which the offender is not entitled.

- 1 (2) Where the property involved is that of the
 2 offender's spouse, no prosecution for theft may be
 3 maintained unless the parties were not living together as
 4 man and wife and were living in separate abodes at the time
 5 of the alleged theft.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 96-496, eff. 1-1-10; 96-534, eff. 8-14-09;
- 7 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 96-1301, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1532, eff.
- 8 1-1-12; 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11; 97-597, eff. 1-1-12; 97-1150,
- 9 eff. 1-25-13.)
- 10 (720 ILCS 5/17-56) (was 720 ILCS 5/16-1.3)
- Sec. 17-56. Financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability.
- 13 (a) A person commits financial exploitation of an elderly
 14 person or a person with a disability when he or she stands in a
 15 position of trust or confidence with the elderly person or a
 16 person with a disability and he or she knowingly: and
- 17 <u>(1)</u> by deception or intimidation obtains control over 18 the property of an elderly person or a person with a 19 disability; or
- 20 <u>(2)</u> illegally uses the assets or resources of an elderly person or a person with a disability.
- 22 (b) Sentence. Financial exploitation of an elderly person 23 or a person with a disability is: (1) a Class 4 felony if the 24 value of the property is \$300 or less, (2) a Class 3 felony if 25 the value of the property is more than \$300 but less than

- \$5,000, (3) a Class 2 felony if the value of the property is \$5,000 or more but less than \$50,000, and (4) a Class 1 felony if the value of the property is \$50,000 or more or if the elderly person is over 70 years of age and the value of the property is \$15,000 or more or if the elderly person is 80 years of age or older and the value of the property is \$5,000 or more.
 - (c) For purposes of this Section:
 - (1) "Elderly person" means a person 60 years of age or older.
 - (2) "Person with a disability" means a person who suffers from a physical or mental impairment resulting from disease, injury, functional disorder or congenital condition that impairs the individual's mental or physical ability to independently manage his or her property or financial resources, or both.
 - (3) "Intimidation" means the communication to an elderly person or a person with a disability that he or she shall be deprived of food and nutrition, shelter, prescribed medication or medical care and treatment or conduct as provided in Section 12-6 of this Code.
 - (4) "Deception" means, in addition to its meaning as defined in Section 15-4 of this Code, a misrepresentation or concealment of material fact relating to the terms of a contract or agreement entered into with the elderly person or person with a disability or to the existing or

pre-existing condition of any of the property involved in such contract or agreement; or the use or employment of any misrepresentation, false pretense or false promise in order to induce, encourage or solicit the elderly person or person with a disability to enter into a contract or agreement.

The illegal use of the assets or resources of an elderly person or a person with a disability includes, but is not limited to, the misappropriation of those assets or resources by undue influence, breach of a fiduciary relationship, fraud, deception, extortion, or use of the assets or resources contrary to law.

A person stands in a position of trust and confidence with an elderly person or person with a disability when he (i) is a parent, spouse, adult child or other relative by blood or marriage of the elderly person or person with a disability, (ii) is a joint tenant or tenant in common with the elderly person or person with a disability, (iii) has a legal or fiduciary relationship with the elderly person or person with a disability, (iv) is a financial planning or investment professional, or (v) is a paid or unpaid caregiver for the elderly person or person with a disability.

- (d) Limitations. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the victim under the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986.
- (e) Good faith efforts. Nothing in this Section shall be

such assistance.

construed to impose criminal liability on a person who has made a good faith effort to assist the elderly person or person with a disability in the management of his or her property, but through no fault of his or her own has been unable to provide

(f) Not a defense. It shall not be a defense to financial exploitation of an elderly person or person with a disability that the accused reasonably believed that the victim was not an elderly person or person with a disability. Consent shall not be a defense to financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability if the accused knew or had reason to know that the elderly person or a person with a disability lacked capacity to consent.

(g) Civil Liability. A civil cause of action exists for financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability as described in subsection (a) of this Section. A person against whom a civil judgment has been entered for financial exploitation of an elderly person or person with a disability shall be liable to the victim or to the estate of the victim in damages of treble the amount of the value of the property obtained, plus reasonable attorney fees and court costs. In a civil action under this subsection, the burden of proof that the defendant committed financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability as described in subsection (a) of this Section shall be by a preponderance of the evidence. This subsection shall be operative whether or not

the defendant has been charged or convicted of the criminal offense as described in subsection (a) of this Section. This subsection (g) shall not limit or affect the right of any person to bring any cause of action or seek any remedy available under the common law, or other applicable law, arising out of the financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability.

(h) If a person is charged with financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability that involves the taking or loss of property valued at more than \$5,000, a prosecuting attorney may file a petition with the circuit court of the county in which the defendant has been charged to freeze the assets of the defendant in an amount equal to but not greater than the alleged value of lost or stolen property in the defendant's pending criminal proceeding for purposes of restitution to the victim. The burden of proof required to freeze the defendant's assets shall be by a preponderance of the evidence.

19 (Source: P.A. 99-272, eff. 1-1-16.)