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HB5072

by Rep. Angelo Saviano

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2105/2105-15

was 20 ILCS 2105/60

Amends The Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that, with certain exceptions, no person or entity whose license, certificate, or authority has been revoked by the Department may apply for a restoration of the license, certificate, or authority for a 3-year period. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning state government.

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

Section 5. The Department of Professional Regulation Law of
the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by
changing Section 2105-15 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-15) (was 20 ILCS 2105/60)

8 Sec. 2105-15. General powers and duties.

9 (a) The Department has, subject to the provisions of the 10 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the following powers and 11 duties:

12 (1) To authorize examinations in English to ascertain 13 the qualifications and fitness of applicants to exercise 14 the profession, trade, or occupation for which the 15 examination is held.

16 (2) To prescribe rules and regulations for a fair and 17 wholly impartial method of examination of candidates to 18 exercise the respective professions, trades, or 19 occupations.

(3) To pass upon the qualifications of applicants for
 licenses, certificates, and authorities, whether by
 examination, by reciprocity, or by endorsement.

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(4) To prescribe rules and regulations defining, for

the respective professions, trades, and occupations, what 1 2 shall constitute a school, college, or university, or 3 department of a university, or other institution, reputable and in good standing, and to determine the 4 5 reputability and good standing of a school, college, or university, or department of a university, or other 6 7 institution, reputable and in good standing, by reference 8 to a compliance with those rules and regulations; provided, 9 that no school, college, or university, or department of a 10 university, or other institution that refuses admittance 11 to applicants solely on account of race, color, creed, sex, 12 or national origin shall be considered reputable and in good standing. 13

14 To conduct hearings on proceedings to revoke, (5) 15 suspend, refuse to renew, place on probationary status, or 16 take other disciplinary action as authorized in any 17 licensing Act administered by the Department with regard to licenses, certificates, or 18 authorities of persons 19 exercising the respective professions, trades, or 20 occupations and to revoke, suspend, refuse to renew, place 21 on probationary status, or take other disciplinary action 22 as authorized in any licensing Act administered by the 23 Department with regard to those licenses, certificates, or 24 authorities. The Department shall issue monthly а 25 disciplinary report. The Department shall deny any license 26 or renewal authorized by the Civil Administrative Code of

Illinois to any person who has defaulted on an educational 1 2 loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by the 3 Illinois Student Assistance Commission or any governmental agency of this State; however, the Department may issue a 4 5 license or renewal if the aforementioned persons have 6 established a satisfactory repayment record as determined 7 by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission or other 8 governmental of this appropriate agency State. 9 Additionally, beginning June 1, 1996, any license issued by 10 the Department may be suspended or revoked if the 11 Department, after the opportunity for a hearing under the 12 appropriate licensing Act, finds that the licensee has 13 failed to make satisfactory repayment to the Illinois 14 Student Assistance Commission for delinguent а or For the purposes 15 defaulted loan. of this Section, 16 "satisfactory repayment record" shall be defined by rule. 17 The Department shall refuse to issue or renew a license to, 18 or shall suspend or revoke a license of, any person who, 19 after receiving notice, fails to comply with a subpoena or 20 warrant relating to a paternity or child support 21 proceeding. However, the Department may issue a license or 22 renewal upon compliance with the subpoena or warrant.

The Department, without further process or hearings, shall revoke, suspend, or deny any license or renewal authorized by the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to a person who is certified by the Department of Healthcare - 4 - LRB095 15074 BDD 41034 b

Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of 1 and 2 Public Aid) as being more than 30 days delinquent in 3 complying with a child support order or who is certified by a court as being in violation of the Non-Support Punishment 4 5 Act for more than 60 days. The Department may, however, 6 issue a license or renewal if the person has established a 7 satisfactory repayment record as determined by the 8 Department of Healthcare and Family Services (formerly 9 Illinois Department of Public Aid) or if the person is 10 determined by the court to be in compliance with the 11 Non-Support Punishment Act. The Department may implement 12 this paragraph as added by Public Act 89-6 through the use of emergency rules in accordance with Section 5-45 of the 13 14 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. For purposes of the 15 Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, the adoption of 16 rules to implement this paragraph shall be considered an 17 emergency and necessary for the public interest, safety, and welfare. 18

19 (6) To transfer jurisdiction of any realty under the
20 control of the Department to any other department of the
21 State Government or to acquire or accept federal lands when
22 the transfer, acquisition, or acceptance is advantageous
23 to the State and is approved in writing by the Governor.

(7) To formulate rules and regulations necessary for
the enforcement of any Act administered by the Department.
(8) To exchange with the Department of Healthcare and

Family Services information that may be necessary for the 1 2 enforcement of child support orders entered pursuant to the Illinois Public Aid Code, the Illinois Marriage 3 and Dissolution of Marriage Act, the Non-Support of Spouse and 4 5 Children Act, the Non-Support Punishment Act, the Revised Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, the Uniform 6 Interstate Family Support Act, or the Illinois Parentage 7 8 Act of 1984. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Code to 9 the contrary, the Department of Professional Regulation 10 shall not be liable under any federal or State law to any 11 person for any disclosure of information to the Department 12 Healthcare and Family Services (formerly Illinois of 13 Department of Public Aid) under this paragraph (8) or for 14 any other action taken in good faith to comply with the 15 requirements of this paragraph (8).

16 (a-5) Except in cases involving default on an educational 17 loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission or any governmental agency of 18 19 this State or in cases involving delinquency in complying with 20 a child support order or violation of the Non-Support 21 Punishment Act, no person or entity whose license, certificate, 22 or authority has been revoked as authorized in any licensing 23 Act administered by the Department may apply for restoration of that license, certification, or authority until 3 years after 24 25 the effective date of the revocation.

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(9) To perform other duties prescribed by law.

The Department may, when a fee is payable to the 1 (b) 2 Department for a wall certificate of registration provided by the Department of Central Management Services, require that 3 portion of the payment for printing and distribution costs be 4 5 made directly or through the Department to the Department of 6 Central Management Services for deposit into the Paper and 7 Printing Revolving Fund. The remainder shall be deposited into 8 the General Revenue Fund.

9 (c) For the purpose of securing and preparing evidence, and 10 for the purchase of controlled substances, professional 11 services, and equipment necessary for enforcement activities, 12 recoupment of investigative costs, and other activities 13 directed at suppressing the misuse and abuse of controlled substances, including those activities set forth in Sections 14 15 504 and 508 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the 16 Director and agents appointed and authorized by the Director 17 may expend sums from the Professional Regulation Evidence Fund that the Director deems necessary from the amounts appropriated 18 19 for that purpose. Those sums may be advanced to the agent when 20 the Director deems that procedure to be in the public interest. Sums for the purchase of controlled substances, professional 21 22 services, and equipment necessary for enforcement activities 23 and other activities as set forth in this Section shall be 24 advanced to the agent who is to make the purchase from the 25 Professional Regulation Evidence Fund on vouchers signed by the 26 Director. The Director and those agents are authorized to

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maintain one or more commercial checking accounts with any 1 2 State banking corporation or corporations organized under or subject to the Illinois Banking Act for the deposit and 3 withdrawal of moneys to be used for the purposes set forth in 4 5 this Section; provided, that no check may be written nor any withdrawal made from any such account except upon the written 6 7 signatures of 2 persons designated by the Director to write those checks and make those withdrawals. Vouchers for those 8 9 expenditures must be signed by the Director. All such 10 expenditures shall be audited by the Director, and the audit 11 shall be submitted to the Department of Central Management 12 Services for approval.

13 (d) Whenever the Department is authorized or required by law to 14 consider some aspect of criminal history record 15 information for the purpose of carrying out its statutory 16 powers and responsibilities, then, upon request and payment of 17 fees in conformance with the requirements of Section 2605-400 of the Department of State Police Law (20 ILCS 2605/2605-400), 18 the Department of State Police is authorized to furnish, 19 20 pursuant to positive identification, the information contained in State files that is necessary to fulfill the request. 21

(e) The provisions of this Section do not apply to private
business and vocational schools as defined by Section 1 of the
Private Business and Vocational Schools Act.

(f) Beginning July 1, 1995, this Section does not apply tothose professions, trades, and occupations licensed under the

Real Estate License Act of 2000, nor does it apply to any
 permits, certificates, or other authorizations to do business
 provided for in the Land Sales Registration Act of 1989 or the
 Illinois Real Estate Time-Share Act.

(g) Notwithstanding anything that may appear in 5 anv 6 individual licensing statute or administrative rule, the 7 Department shall deny any license application or renewal 8 authorized under any licensing Act administered by the 9 Department to any person who has failed to file a return, or to 10 pay the tax, penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or 11 to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty, or interest, as 12 required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department 13 of Revenue, until such time as the requirement of any such tax 14 Act are satisfied; however, the Department may issue a license 15 or renewal if the person has established a satisfactory 16 repayment record as determined by the Illinois Department of 17 Revenue. For the purpose of this Section, "satisfactory repayment record" shall be defined by rule. 18

19 In addition, a complaint filed with the Department by the 20 Illinois Department of Revenue that includes a certification, signed by its Director or designee, attesting to the amount of 21 22 the unpaid tax liability or the years for which a return was 23 not filed, or both, is prima facia evidence of the licensee's failure to comply with the tax laws administered by the 24 25 Illinois Department of Revenue. Upon receipt of that 26 certification, the Department shall, without a hearing,

immediately suspend all licenses held by the licensee. 1 2 Enforcement of the Department's order shall be stayed for 60 days. The Department shall provide notice of the suspension to 3 the licensee by mailing a copy of the Department's order by 4 5 certified and regular mail to the licensee's last known address as registered with the Department. The notice shall advise the 6 7 licensee that the suspension shall be effective 60 days after the issuance of the Department's order unless the Department 8 9 receives, from the licensee, a request for a hearing before the 10 Department to dispute the matters contained in the order.

11 Any suspension imposed under this subsection (g) shall be 12 terminated by the Department upon notification from the 13 Illinois Department of Revenue that the licensee is in 14 compliance with all tax laws administered by the Illinois 15 Department of Revenue.

16 The Department shall promulgate rules for the 17 administration of this subsection (g).

(h) The Department may grant the title "Retired", to be 18 used immediately adjacent to the title of a profession 19 20 regulated by the Department, to eligible retirees. The use of 21 the title "Retired" shall not constitute representation of 22 current licensure, registration, or certification. Any person 23 without an active license, registration, or certificate in a 24 profession that requires licensure, registration, or 25 certification shall not be permitted to practice that 26 profession.

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1	(Source: P.A. 94-452, eff. 1	-1-06; 94-4	462, eff. 8-4-05; 95-331,
2	eff. 8-21-07.)		
3	Section 99. Effective	date. This	Act takes effect upon
4	becoming law.		