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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

735 ILCS 5/15-1701

from Ch. 110, par. 15-1701

Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Provides that in a mortgage foreclosure proceeding, where a timely written notice concerning rent payment was not given to the tenant, or where the tenant makes a good-faith effort to keep current in the rent, an order of possession must allow the tenant to retain possession under the lease. Provides that no mortgagee-in-possession, receiver or holder of a deed or certificate of sale, or purchaser shall file a forcible entry and detainer action against a tenant of mortgaged real estate until 90 days after a notice of the intent to file that action is served on the tenant. Provides that the court records relating to a supplemental petition for possession against a tenant who is current on rent or who made good faith efforts to pay the rent shall be ordered sealed, except as to a law enforcement officer or a government entity. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

4 Section 5. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by 5 changing Section 15-1701 as follows:

6 (735 ILCS 5/15-1701) (from Ch. 110, par. 15-1701)

7 Sec. 15-1701. Right to possession.

(a) General. The provisions of this Article shall govern 8 9 the right to possession of the mortgaged real estate during foreclosure. Possession under this Article includes physical 10 possession of the mortgaged real estate to the same extent to 11 which the mortgagor, absent the foreclosure, would have been 12 13 entitled to physical possession. For the purposes of Part 17, 14 real estate is residential real estate only if it is residential real estate at the time the foreclosure 15 is 16 commenced.

17 (b) Pre-Judgment. Prior to the entry of a judgment of 18 foreclosure:

19 (1) In the case of residential real estate, the 20 mortgagor shall be entitled to possession of the real 21 estate except if (i) the mortgagee shall object and show 22 good cause, (ii) the mortgagee is so authorized by the 23 terms of the mortgage or other written instrument, and

(iii) the court is satisfied that there is a reasonable 1 2 probability that the mortgagee will prevail on a final 3 hearing of the cause, the court shall upon request place the mortgagee in possession. If the residential real estate 4 5 consists of more than one dwelling unit, then for the purpose of this Part residential real estate shall mean 6 only that dwelling unit or units occupied by persons 7 8 described in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of Section 9 15 - 1219.

10 (2) In all other cases, if (i) the mortgagee is so 11 authorized by the terms of the mortgage or other written 12 instrument, and (ii) the court is satisfied that there is a reasonable probability that the mortgagee will prevail on a 13 14 final hearing of the cause, the mortgagee shall upon 15 request be placed in possession of the real estate, except 16 that if the mortgagor shall object and show good cause, the 17 court shall allow the mortgagor to remain in possession.

(c) Judgment Through 30 Days After Sale Confirmation. After
the entry of a judgment of foreclosure and through the 30th day
after a foreclosure sale is confirmed:

Subsection (b) of Section 15-1701 21 (1)shall be 22 applicable, regardless of the provisions of the mortgage or 23 other instrument, except that after a sale pursuant to the 24 judgment the holder of the certificate of sale (or, if 25 none, the purchaser at the sale) shall have the mortgagee's 26 right to be placed in possession, with all rights and SB2376 - 3 - LRB095 18703 AJO 44804 b

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duties of a mortgagee in possession under this Article.

2 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of subsection (b) 3 and paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Section 15-1701, upon request of the mortgagee, a mortgagor of residential 4 5 real estate shall not be allowed to remain in possession between the expiration of the redemption period and through 6 7 30th day after sale confirmation unless (i) the the 8 mortgagor pays to the mortgagee or such holder or 9 purchaser, whichever is applicable, monthly the lesser of 10 the interest due under the mortgage calculated at the 11 mortgage rate of interest applicable as if no default had 12 occurred or the fair rental value of the real estate, or 13 (ii) the mortgagor otherwise shows good cause. Any amounts 14 paid by the mortgagor pursuant to this subsection shall be 15 credited against the amounts due from the mortgagor.

16 (d) After 30 Days After Sale Confirmation. The holder of 17 the certificate of sale or deed issued pursuant to that certificate or, if no certificate or deed was issued, the 18 19 purchaser, except to the extent the holder or purchaser may 20 consent otherwise, shall be entitled to possession of the mortgaged real estate, as of the date 30 days after the order 21 22 confirming the sale is entered, against those parties to the 23 foreclosure whose interests the court has ordered terminated, without further notice to any party, further order of the 24 25 court, or resort to proceedings under any other statute other 26 than this Article. This right to possession shall be limited by

the provisions governing entering and enforcing orders of 1 2 possession under subsection (q) of Section 15-1508. If the holder or purchaser determines that there are occupants of the 3 mortgaged real estate who have not been made parties to the 4 5 foreclosure and had their interests terminated therein, the holder or purchaser may bring a proceeding under subsection (h) 6 7 of this Section or under Article 9 of this Code to terminate 8 the rights of possession of any such occupants. The holder or 9 purchaser shall not be entitled to proceed against any such 10 occupant under Article 9 of this Code until after 30 days after 11 the order confirming the sale is entered.

12 (e) Termination of Leases. A lease of all or any part of 13 the mortgaged real estate shall not be terminated automatically 14 solely by virtue of the entry into possession by (i) a 15 mortgagee or receiver prior to the entry of an order confirming 16 the sale, (ii) the holder of the certificate of sale, (iii) the 17 holder of the deed issued pursuant to that certificate, or (iv) if no certificate or deed was issued, the purchaser at the 18 19 sale.

(f) Other Statutes; Instruments. The provisions of this Article providing for possession of mortgaged real estate shall supersede any other inconsistent statutory provisions. In particular, and without limitation, whenever a receiver is sought to be appointed in any action in which a foreclosure is also pending, a receiver shall be appointed only in accordance with this Article. Except as may be authorized by this Article, 1 no mortgage or other instrument may modify or supersede the 2 provisions of this Article.

(g) Certain Leases. Leases of the mortgaged real estate 3 entered into by a mortgagee in possession or a receiver and 4 5 approved by the court in a foreclosure shall be binding on all including the mortgagor after redemption, 6 parties, the 7 purchaser at a sale pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and 8 any person acquiring an interest in the mortgaged real estate 9 after entry of a judgment of foreclosure in accordance with 10 Sections 15-1402 and 15-1403.

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(h) Proceedings Against Certain Occupants.

12 (1) The mortgagee-in-possession of the mortgaged real 13 estate under Section 15-1703, a receiver appointed under 14 Section 15-1704, a holder of the certificate of sale or 15 deed, or the purchaser may, at any time during the pendency 16 of the foreclosure and up to 90 days after the date of the 17 order confirming the sale, file a supplemental petition for possession against a person not personally named as a party 18 19 the foreclosure. The supplemental petition for to 20 possession shall name each such occupant against whom 21 possession is sought and state the facts upon which the 22 claim for relief is premised.

(2) The petitioner shall serve upon each named occupant
 the petition, a notice of hearing on the petition, and, if
 any, a copy of the certificate of sale or deed. The
 proceeding for the termination of such occupant's

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possessory interest, including service of the notice of the hearing and the petition, shall in all respects comport with the requirements of Article 9 of this Code, except as otherwise specified in this Section. The hearing shall be no less than 21 days from the date of service of the notice.

7 (3) The supplemental petition shall be heard as part of 8 the foreclosure proceeding and without the payment of 9 additional filing fees. An order for possession obtained 10 under this Section shall name each occupant whose interest 11 has been terminated, shall recite that it is only effective 12 as to the occupant so named and those holding under them, and shall be enforceable for no more than 90 days after its 13 14 entry, except that the 90-day period may be extended to the 15 extent and in the manner provided in Section 9-117 of 16 Article 9 and except as provided in item (4) of this 17 subsection (h).

In a case of foreclosure where the tenant is 18 (4) 19 current on his or her rent, or where timely written notice 20 of to whom and where the rent is to be paid has not been 21 provided to the tenant, or where the tenant has made 22 good-faith efforts to make rental payments in order to keep 23 current, any order of possession must allow the tenant to 24 retain possession of the property covered in his or her 25 rental agreement (i) for 120 days following the notice of 26 the hearing on the supplemental petition that has been

properly served upon the tenant, or (ii) through the 1 2 duration of his or her lease, whichever is shorter. If the 3 tenant has been given timely written notice of to whom and where the rent is to be paid, this This item (4) shall only 4 5 apply if the tenant continues to pay his or her rent in full during the 120-day period or has made good-faith 6 7 efforts to pay the rent in full during that period. No 8 mortgagee-in-possession, receiver or holder of a 9 certificate of sale or deed, or purchaser who fails to file 10 a supplemental petition under this subsection during the 11 pendency of a mortgage foreclosure shall file a forcible 12 entry and detainer action against a tenant of the mortgaged real estate until 90 days after a notice of intent to file 13 14 such action has been properly served upon the tenant.

15 (5) The court records relating to a supplemental 16 petition for possession filed under this subsection (h) against a tenant who is entitled to notice under item (4) 17 of this subsection (h), or relating to a forcible entry and 18 19 detainer action brought against a tenant who would have 20 lawful possession of the premises but for the foreclosure of a mortgage on the property, shall be ordered sealed and 21 22 shall not be disclosed to any person, other than a law enforcement officer or any other representative of a 23 24 governmental entity, except upon further order of the 25 court.

26 (Source: P.A. 95-262, eff. 1-1-08.)

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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
 becoming law.