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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

735 ILCS 5/2-101 from Ch. 110, par. 2-101

Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Makes a technical change in provisions concerning venue.

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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 2-101 as follows:

6 (735 ILCS 5/2-101) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-101)

7 Sec. 2-101. Generally. Except as otherwise provided in this 8 Act, every action must be commenced (1) in the the county of 9 residence of any defendant who is joined in good faith and with probable cause for the purpose of obtaining a judgment against 10 him or her and not solely for the purpose of fixing venue in 11 that county, or (2) in the county in which the transaction or 12 some part thereof occurred out of which the cause of action 13 14 arose.

If a check, draft, money order, or other instrument for the 15 16 payment of child support payable to or delivered to the State 17 Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of the Illinois Public Aid Code is returned by the bank or depository 18 19 for any reason, venue for the enforcement of any criminal 20 proceedings or civil cause of action for recovery and attorney 21 fees shall be in the county where the principal office of the State Disbursement Unit is located. 22

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If all defendants are nonresidents of the State, an action

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1 may be commenced in any county.

2 If the corporate limits of a city, village or town extend 3 into more than one county, then the venue of an action or 4 proceeding instituted by that municipality to enforce any fine, 5 imprisonment, penalty or forfeiture for violation of any 6 ordinance of that municipality, regardless of the county in 7 which the violation was committed or occurred, may be in the appropriate court (i) in the county wherein the office of the 8 clerk of the municipality is located or (ii) in any county in 9 10 which at least 35% of the territory within the municipality's 11 corporate limits is located.

12 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)