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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act 730 ILCS 5/3-6-3

from Ch. 38, par. 1003-6-3

Creates the Fair Notice of Sentence Act. Provides that in any criminal case in which a court imposes a sentence of imprisonment of one year or more on a defendant after conviction of a felony offense, the court may at its own discretion or upon the request of any party in court complete a Fair Notice of Sentence containing specified information. Provides that the clerk of the court shall attach a copy of the notice to the mittimus or documents to be transmitted to the Illinois Department of Corrections and shall place a copy of the notice in the court file. Provides that when the Department receives a mittimus or court file information to which a notice is attached, the Department shall maintain a copy of the notice in its records including the sentenced inmate's master file and notify the State's Attorney, the court, and the parties identified in the notice of certain changes in the inmate's release date. Provides that the Illinois Department of Corrections shall update, correct, or modify the contact information of individuals to be notified as shown on the notice upon a request provided to the Department and approved by the State's Attorney of the county in which the inmate was sentenced. Amends the Unified Code of Corrections to make conforming changes.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Fair

 Notice of Sentence Act.
- 6 Section 5. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to ensure 7 transparency in the sentence handed down in felony criminal 8 cases in Illinois in which a defendant is sentenced to one year 9 or more in the Illinois Department of Corrections and fair notice to the parties of any sentence that is substantially 10 modified after the date of sentence and after the defendant 11 12 enters the Illinois Department of Corrections by any decision 13 concerning parole, mandatory supervised release, 14 administrative rule, or award of good conduct credits by the Illinois Department of Corrections or the Prisoner Review 15 Board. 16
- 17 Section 10. Construction. Nothing in this Act:
 - (1) changes the calculation of the length or conditions of any sentence which may be imposed by a court having jurisdiction in any felony or other criminal case;
- 21 (2) changes the administration of the award or denial 22 of statutory good time or good conduct credits or the

granting or revocation of parole or mandatory supervised release;

- (3) creates any rights or expectations by any defendant or any party in any criminal case in the length or conditions of sentence handed down by a court after a trial or upon a plea being entered in any criminal case;
- (4) changes or affects the administration of Supreme Court Rule 402 or any other Court Rule governing pleas of guilty and admonishments given to the defendant relative to the entry of any plea including a plea of guilty in any criminal proceeding; or
- (5) affects any case in which a defendant is not sentenced to one year or more in the Illinois Department of Corrections or in which the defendant is not admitted to the Illinois Department of Corrections following sentence.
- Section 15. Fair Notice of Sentence. In any criminal case in which a court imposes a sentence of imprisonment of one year of more on a defendant after conviction of a felony offense pursuant to Article 4.5 of Chapter V or Section 5-8-1 of the Unified Code of Corrections, the court may at its own discretion or upon the request of any party in court complete a Fair Notice of Sentence. The Fair Notice of Sentence shall include the following information:
 - (1) the name under which the defendant was convicted and sentenced;

- (2) the criminal case number;
 - (3) the date of sentence;
 - (4) the court in which the defendant was sentenced;
 - (5) the offense of which the defendant was convicted and sentenced;
 - (6) a statement of the length of the prison sentence imposed upon the defendant;
 - (7) the date, month, and year which the court, State's Attorney, and defense attorney expect or anticipate being the earliest date at which the defendant is entitled to release from the Illinois Department of Corrections. In determining this date, consideration shall be given to the length of sentence, to the amount of time served in pre-trial custody, if any, and to the amount of statutory good time and the maximum amount of good conduct credits that may be awarded to the defendant pursuant to clause (a) (3) of Section 3-6-3 of the Unified Code of Corrections; but no consideration need be given to the amount by which good time credits could be increased by reason of the defendant's participation in programs pursuant to clauses (a) (4) or (a) (4.1) of Section 3-6-3 of the Unified Code of Corrections;
 - (8) the names and contact information of the State's Attorney, State or local law enforcement officer, and up to 4 other persons who are victims, witnesses, or otherwise directly involved in this case not to include news media

who have communicated to the court or to the State's Attorney desire and consent to be notified in the event that the defendant will be released substantially in advance of the expected or anticipated date reported on the Fair Notice of Sentence form as the result of any decision concerning parole or mandatory supervised release, administrative rule, or award of good conduct credits by the Illinois Department of Corrections or the Prisoner Review Board;

(9) a statement that information contained in the Fair Notice of Sentence is provided for administrative purposes only and that information contained in the Fair Notice of Sentence creates no right or expectation on the part of the defendant as to the length of imprisonment which will result from the sentence imposed by the court.

The Illinois Department of Corrections shall prepare a standard Fair Notice of Sentence form containing the information set forth in clauses (1) through (9) and shall make the standard Fair Notice of Sentence available to the clerk of the court and the State's Attorney in each county.

Section 20. Transmittal to the Illinois Department of Corrections. The clerk of the court shall attach a copy of the Fair Notice of Sentence to the mittimus or documents to be transmitted to the Illinois Department of Corrections and shall place a copy of the Fair Notice of Sentence in the court file.

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- 1 The copy of the Fair Notice of Sentence placed in the court
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- 3 persons who are victims, witnesses, or otherwise directly
- 4 involved in the case.
- Section 25. Duties of the Illinois Department of Corrections. For each inmate for whom the Illinois Department of Corrections receives a mittimus or court file information to which a Fair Notice of Sentence is attached, the Department
 - (1) maintain a copy of the Fair Notice of Sentence in the Department's records including the sentenced inmate's master file;
 - (2) notify the State's Attorney, Court and parties identified on the Fair Notice of Sentence if the release as determined by the Illinois Department date Corrections for the inmate falls substantially before the expected or anticipated earliest release date shown on the Fair Notice of Sentence. For the purposes of this Act, "substantially before" shall be 24 days or more for any inmate sentenced to less than 2 years and one day or more for each calendar month of any sentence to the Department of Corrections of 2 years or more; and
 - (3) notify the State's Attorney, clerk of the court in which the inmate was sentenced, and parties identified on the Fair Notice of Sentence of the new release date and the

-	reason for the change if at any time and for any reason the
2	Illinois Department of Corrections or the Prisoner Review
3	Board modifies the release date with the result that the
1	inmate's date of release falls substantially before the
5	expected or anticipated earliest date shown on the Fair
-)	Notice of Sentence.

Section 30. Contact information for individuals to be notified. The Illinois Department of Corrections shall update, correct, or modify the contact information of individuals to be notified as shown on the Fair Notice of Sentence upon a request provided to the Department and approved by the State's Attorney in the county in which the inmate was sentenced.

Section 90. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by changing Section 3-6-3 as follows:

15 (730 ILCS 5/3-6-3) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-6-3)

Sec. 3-6-3. Rules and Regulations for Early Release.

- (a) (1) The Department of Corrections shall prescribe rules and regulations for the early release on account of good conduct of persons committed to the Department which shall be subject to review by the Prisoner Review Board.
- (2) The rules and regulations on early release shall provide, with respect to offenses listed in clause (i),(ii), or (iii) of this paragraph (2) committed on or after

June 19, 1998 or with respect to the offense listed in clause (iv) of this paragraph (2) committed on or after June 23, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-71) or with respect to offense listed in clause (vi) committed on or after June 1, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-625) or with respect to the offense of being an armed habitual criminal committed on or after August 2, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-398) or with respect to the offenses listed in clause (v) of this paragraph (2) committed on or after August 13, 2007 (the effective date of Public Act 95-134) or with respect to the offense of aggravated domestic battery committed on or after July 23, 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1224), the following:

- (i) that a prisoner who is serving a term of imprisonment for first degree murder or for the offense of terrorism shall receive no good conduct credit and shall serve the entire sentence imposed by the court;
- (ii) that a prisoner serving a sentence for attempt to commit first degree murder, solicitation of murder, solicitation of murder for hire, intentional homicide of an unborn child, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, aggravated criminal sexual assault, criminal sexual assault, aggravated kidnapping, aggravated battery with a firearm as described in Section 12-4.2 or subdivision (e)(1), (e)(2), (e)(3),

or (e)(4) of Section 12-3.05, heinous battery as described in Section 12-4.1 or subdivision (a)(2) of Section 12-3.05, being an armed habitual criminal, aggravated battery of a senior citizen as described in Section 12-4.6 or subdivision (a)(4) of Section 12-3.05, or aggravated battery of a child as described in Section 12-4.3 or subdivision (b)(1) of Section 12-3.05 shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment;

(iii) that a prisoner serving a sentence for home invasion, armed robbery, aggravated vehicular hijacking, aggravated discharge of a firearm, or armed violence with a category I weapon or category II weapon, when the court has made and entered a finding, pursuant to subsection (c-1) of Section 5-4-1 of this Code, that the conduct leading to conviction for the enumerated offense resulted in great bodily harm to a victim, shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment;

(iv) that a prisoner serving a sentence for aggravated discharge of a firearm, whether or not the conduct leading to conviction for the offense resulted in great bodily harm to the victim, shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each

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month of his or her sentence of imprisonment;

 (∇) that a person serving a sentence for gunrunning, narcotics racketeering, controlled substance trafficking, methamphetamine trafficking, drug-induced homicide, aggravated methamphetamine-related child endangerment, laundering pursuant to clause (c) (4) or (5) of Section 29B-1 of the Criminal Code of 1961, or a Class X felony conviction for delivery of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance with intent to manufacture or deliver, calculated criminal conspiracy, criminal drug conspiracy, street criminal drug conspiracy, participation in manufacturing, methamphetamine aggravated participation in methamphetamine manufacturing, delivery of methamphetamine, possession with intent to methamphetamine, aggravated deliver delivery of methamphetamine, aggravated possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine, methamphetamine conspiracy when the substance containing the controlled substance or methamphetamine is 100 grams or more shall receive no more than 7.5 days good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment;

(vi) that a prisoner serving a sentence for a second or subsequent offense of luring a minor shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit

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for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment;

and

(vii) that a prisoner serving a sentence for aggravated domestic battery shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment.

(2.1) For all offenses, other than those enumerated in subdivision (a)(2)(i), (ii), or (iii) committed on or after June 19, 1998 or subdivision (a)(2)(iv) committed on or after June 23, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-71) or subdivision (a)(2)(v) committed on or after August 13, 2007 (the effective date of Public Act 95-134) or subdivision (a)(2)(vi) committed on or after June 1, (the effective date of Public Act subdivision (a)(2)(vii) committed on or after July 23, 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1224), and other than the offense of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, and other than the offense of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code committed on or

after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1230), the rules and regulations shall provide that a prisoner who is serving a term of imprisonment shall receive one day of good conduct credit for each day of his or her sentence of imprisonment or recommitment under Section 3-3-9. Each day of good conduct credit shall reduce by one day the prisoner's period of imprisonment or recommitment under Section 3-3-9.

- (2.2) A prisoner serving a term of natural life imprisonment or a prisoner who has been sentenced to death shall receive no good conduct credit.
- (2.3) The rules and regulations on early release shall provide that a prisoner who is serving a sentence for aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment.
- (2.4) The rules and regulations on early release shall provide with respect to the offenses of aggravated battery with a machine gun or a firearm equipped with any device or attachment designed or used for silencing the report of a firearm or aggravated discharge of a machine gun or a firearm equipped with any device or attachment designed or

used for silencing the report of a firearm, committed on or after July 15, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-121), that a prisoner serving a sentence for any of these offenses shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment.

- (2.5) The rules and regulations on early release shall provide that a prisoner who is serving a sentence for aggravated arson committed on or after July 27, 2001 (the effective date of Public Act 92-176) shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment.
- (2.6) The rules and regulations on early release shall provide that a prisoner who is serving a sentence for aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code committed on or after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1230) shall receive no more than 4.5 days of good conduct credit for each month of his or her sentence of imprisonment.
- (3) The rules and regulations shall also provide that the Director may award up to 180 days additional good conduct credit for meritorious service in specific instances as the Director deems proper; except that no more

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than 90 days of good conduct credit for meritorious service shall be awarded to any prisoner who is serving a sentence for conviction of first degree murder, reckless homicide while under the influence of alcohol or any other drug, or aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, aggravated kidnapping, kidnapping, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, aggravated criminal sexual assault, criminal sexual assault, deviate aggravated criminal sexual assault, sexual abuse, aggravated indecent liberties with a child, liberties with a child, child pornography, heinous battery as described in Section 12-4.1 or subdivision (a)(2) of Section 12-3.05, aggravated battery of a aggravated battery of a spouse with a firearm, stalking, aggravated stalking, aggravated battery of a child as described in Section 12-4.3 or subdivision (b)(1) of Section 12-3.05, endangering the life or health of a child, or cruelty to a child. Notwithstanding the foregoing, good conduct credit for meritorious service shall not be awarded on a sentence of imprisonment imposed for conviction of: one of the offenses enumerated in subdivision (a)(2)(i), (ii), or (iii) when the offense is committed on or after June 19, 1998 or subdivision (a)(2)(iv) when the

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offense is committed on or after June 23, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-71) or subdivision (a)(2)(v) when the offense is committed on or after August 13, 2007 (the effective date of Public Act 95-134) or subdivision (a)(2)(vi) when the offense is committed on or after June 1, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-625) or subdivision (a)(2)(vii) when the offense is committed on or after July 23, 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1224), (ii) aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, (iii) one of the offenses enumerated in subdivision (a) (2.4) when the offense is committed on or after July 15, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-121), (iv) aggravated arson when the offense is committed on or after July 27, 2001 (the effective date of Public Act 92-176), (v) offenses that may subject the offender to commitment under the Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act, aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code committed on or after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1230).

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The Director shall not award good conduct credit for meritorious service under this paragraph (3) to an inmate unless the inmate has served a minimum of 60 days of the sentence; except nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to permit the Director to extend an inmate's sentence beyond that which was imposed by the court. Prior to awarding credit under this paragraph (3), the Director shall make a written determination that the inmate:

- (A) is eligible for good conduct credit for meritorious service;
- (B) has served a minimum of 60 days, or as close to 60 days as the sentence will allow; and
- (C) has met the eligibility criteria established by rule.

The Director shall determine the form and content of the written determination required in this subsection.

(4) The rules and regulations shall also provide that the good conduct credit accumulated and retained under paragraph (2.1) of subsection (a) of this Section by any inmate during specific periods of time in which such inmate is engaged full-time in substance abuse correctional industry assignments, or educational programs provided by the Department under this paragraph (4) and satisfactorily completes the assigned program as determined by the standards of the Department, shall be multiplied by a factor of 1.25 for program participation

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before August 11, 1993 and 1.50 for program participation on or after that date. However, no inmate shall be eligible for the additional good conduct credit under this paragraph (4) or (4.1) of this subsection (a) while assigned to a boot camp or electronic detention, or if convicted of an offense enumerated in subdivision (a)(2)(i), (ii), or (iii) of this Section that is committed on or after June 19, 1998 or subdivision (a)(2)(iv) of this Section that is committed on or after June 23, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-71) or subdivision (a)(2)(v) of this Section that is committed on or after August 13, 2007 (the effective date of Public Act 95-134) or subdivision (a)(2)(vi) when the offense is committed on or after June 1, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-625) or subdivision (a) (2) (vii) when the offense is committed on or after July 23, 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1224), or if convicted of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, or if convicted of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds or any combination thereof as defined subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code committed on or

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after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1230), or if convicted of an offense enumerated in paragraph (a) (2.4) of this Section that is committed on or after July 15, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-121), or first degree murder, a Class X felony, criminal sexual assault, felony criminal sexual abuse, aggravated criminal sexual abuse, aggravated battery with a firearm as described in Section 12-4.2 or subdivision (e) (1), (e) (2), (e) (3), or (e) (4) of Section 12-3.05, or any predecessor or successor offenses with the same or substantially the same elements, or any inchoate offenses relating to the foregoing offenses. No inmate shall be eligible for the additional good conduct credit under this paragraph (4) who (i) has previously received increased good conduct credit under this paragraph (4) and has subsequently been convicted of a felony, or (ii) has previously served more than one prior sentence of imprisonment for a felony in an adult correctional facility.

Educational, vocational, substance abuse and correctional industry programs under which good conduct credit may be increased under this paragraph (4) and paragraph (4.1) of this subsection (a) shall be evaluated by the Department on the basis of documented standards. The Department shall report the results of these evaluations to the Governor and the General Assembly by September 30th of each year. The reports shall include data relating to the

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Availability of these programs shall be subject to the limits of fiscal resources appropriated by the General Assembly for these purposes. Eligible inmates who are denied immediate admission shall be placed on a waiting list under criteria established by the Department. The inability of any inmate to become engaged in any such programs by reason of insufficient program resources or for reason established under the anv other rules and regulations of the Department shall not be deemed a cause of action under which the Department or any employee or agent of the Department shall be liable for damages to the inmate.

(4.1) The rules and regulations shall also provide that an additional 60 days of good conduct credit shall be awarded to any prisoner who passes the high school level Test of General Educational Development (GED) while the prisoner is incarcerated. The good conduct credit awarded under this paragraph (4.1) shall be in addition to, and shall not affect, the award of good conduct under any other paragraph of this Section, but shall also be pursuant to the guidelines and restrictions set forth in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of this Section. The good conduct credit provided for in this paragraph shall be available only to those prisoners who have not previously earned a high school diploma or a GED. If, after an award of the GED good

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conduct credit has been made and the Department determines that the prisoner was not eligible, then the award shall be revoked.

(4.5) The rules and regulations on early release shall also provide that when the court's sentencing order recommends a prisoner for substance abuse treatment and the crime was committed on or after September 1, 2003 (the effective date of Public Act 93-354), the prisoner shall receive no good conduct credit awarded under clause (3) of this subsection (a) unless he or she participates in and completes а substance abuse treatment program. The Director may waive the requirement to participate in or complete a substance abuse treatment program and award the good conduct credit in specific instances if the prisoner is not a good candidate for a substance abuse treatment program for medical, programming, or operational reasons. Availability of substance abuse treatment shall be subject to the limits of fiscal resources appropriated by the General Assembly for these purposes. If treatment is not available and the requirement to participate and complete the treatment has not been waived by the Director, the prisoner shall be placed on a waiting list under criteria established by the Department. The Director may allow a prisoner placed on a waiting list to participate in and complete a substance abuse education class or attend substance abuse self-help meetings in lieu of a substance

abuse treatment program. A prisoner on a waiting list who is not placed in a substance abuse program prior to release may be eligible for a waiver and receive good conduct credit under clause (3) of this subsection (a) at the discretion of the Director.

- (4.6) The rules and regulations on early release shall also provide that a prisoner who has been convicted of a sex offense as defined in Section 2 of the Sex Offender Registration Act shall receive no good conduct credit unless he or she either has successfully completed or is participating in sex offender treatment as defined by the Sex Offender Management Board. However, prisoners who are waiting to receive such treatment, but who are unable to do so due solely to the lack of resources on the part of the Department, may, at the Director's sole discretion, be awarded good conduct credit at such rate as the Director shall determine.
- (5) (Blank). Whenever the Department is to release any inmate earlier than it otherwise would because of a grant of good conduct credit for meritorious service given at any time during the term, the Department shall give reasonable notice of the impending release not less than 14 days prior to the date of the release to the State's Attorney of the county where the prosecution of the inmate took place, and if applicable, the State's Attorney of the county into which the inmate will be released. The Department must also

make identification information and a recent photo of the inmate being released accessible on the Internet by means of a hyperlink labeled "Community Notification of Inmate Early Release" on the Department's World Wide Web homepage. The identification information shall include the inmate's: name, any known alias, date of birth, physical characteristics, residence address, commitment offense and county where conviction was imposed. The identification information shall be placed on the website within 3 days of the inmate's release and the information may not be removed until either: completion of the first year of mandatory supervised release or return of the inmate to custody of the Department.

- (b) Whenever a person is or has been committed under several convictions, with separate sentences, the sentences shall be construed under Section 5-8-4 in granting and forfeiting of good time.
- (c) The Department shall prescribe rules and regulations for revoking good conduct credit, or suspending or reducing the rate of accumulation of good conduct credit for specific rule violations, during imprisonment. These rules and regulations shall provide that no inmate may be penalized more than one year of good conduct credit for any one infraction.

When the Department seeks to revoke, suspend or reduce the rate of accumulation of any good conduct credits for an alleged infraction of its rules, it shall bring charges therefor

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against the prisoner sought to be so deprived of good conduct credits before the Prisoner Review Board as provided in subparagraph (a) (4) of Section 3-3-2 of this Code, if the amount of credit at issue exceeds 30 days or when during any 12 month period, the cumulative amount of credit revoked exceeds 30 days except where the infraction is committed or discovered within 60 days of scheduled release. In those cases, the Department of Corrections may revoke up to 30 days of good conduct credit. The Board may subsequently approve the revocation of additional good conduct credit, if the Department seeks to revoke good conduct credit in excess of 30 days. However, the Board shall not be empowered to review the Department's decision with respect to the loss of 30 days of good conduct credit within any calendar year for any prisoner or to increase any penalty beyond the length requested by the Department.

The Director of the Department of Corrections, in appropriate cases, may restore up to 30 days good conduct credits which have been revoked, suspended or reduced. Any restoration of good conduct credits in excess of 30 days shall be subject to review by the Prisoner Review Board. However, the Board may not restore good conduct credit in excess of the amount requested by the Director.

Nothing contained in this Section shall prohibit the Prisoner Review Board from ordering, pursuant to Section 3-3-9(a)(3)(i)(B), that a prisoner serve up to one year of the

sentence imposed by the court that was not served due to the accumulation of good conduct credit.

- (d) If a lawsuit is filed by a prisoner in an Illinois or federal court against the State, the Department of Corrections, or the Prisoner Review Board, or against any of their officers or employees, and the court makes a specific finding that a pleading, motion, or other paper filed by the prisoner is frivolous, the Department of Corrections shall conduct a hearing to revoke up to 180 days of good conduct credit by bringing charges against the prisoner sought to be deprived of the good conduct credits before the Prisoner Review Board as provided in subparagraph (a) (8) of Section 3-3-2 of this Code. If the prisoner has not accumulated 180 days of good conduct credit at the time of the finding, then the Prisoner Review Board may revoke all good conduct credit accumulated by the prisoner.
- For purposes of this subsection (d):
- (1) "Frivolous" means that a pleading, motion, or other filing which purports to be a legal document filed by a prisoner in his or her lawsuit meets any or all of the following criteria:
- 22 (A) it lacks an arguable basis either in law or in fact;
 - (B) it is being presented for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation;

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- (D) the allegations and other factual contentions do not have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, are not likely to have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; or
- (E) the denials of factual contentions are not warranted on the evidence, or if specifically so identified, are not reasonably based on a lack of information or belief.
- (2) "Lawsuit" means a motion pursuant to Section 116-3 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, a habeas corpus action under Article X of the Code of Civil Procedure or under federal law (28 U.S.C. 2254), a petition for claim under the Court of Claims Act, an action under the federal Civil Rights Act (42 U.S.C. 1983), or a second or subsequent petition for post-conviction relief under Article 122 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 whether filed with or without leave of court or a second or subsequent petition for relief from judgment under Section 2-1401 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (e) Nothing in Public Act 90-592 or 90-593 affects the

- 1 validity of Public Act 89-404.
- 2 (f) Whenever the Department is to release any inmate who
- 3 has been convicted of a violation of an order of protection
- 4 under Section 12-3.4 or 12-30 of the Criminal Code of 1961,
- 5 earlier than it otherwise would because of a grant of good
- 6 conduct credit, the Department, as a condition of such early
- 7 release, shall require that the person, upon release, be placed
- 8 under electronic surveillance as provided in Section 5-8A-7 of
- 9 this Code.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 95-134, eff. 8-13-07; 95-585, eff. 6-1-08;
- 11 95-625, eff. 6-1-08; 95-640, eff. 6-1-08; 95-773, eff. 1-1-09;
- 12 95-876, eff. 8-21-08; 96-860, eff. 1-15-10; 96-1110, eff.
- 7-19-10; 96-1128, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1200, eff. 7-22-10; 96-1224,
- 14 eff. 7-23-10; 96-1230, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11;
- 15 97-333, eff. 8-12-11.)