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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4863

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 4863 by replacing

3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by

5 changing Sections 5-102.7 and 6-303 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/5-102.7)

7 Sec. 5-102.7. Dealer Recovery Trust Fund.

8 (a) The General Assembly finds that motor vehicle dealers

9 that go out of business without fulfilling agreements to pay

off the balance of their customers' liens on traded-in vehicles

11 cause financial harm to those customers by leaving those

12 customers liable for multiple vehicle loans and cause harm to

13 the integrity of the motor vehicle retailing industry. It is

14 the intent of the General Assembly to protect vehicle

15 purchasers by creating a Dealer Recovery Trust Fund to

16 reimburse these consumers.

- 1 (b) The Dealer Recovery Trust Fund shall be used solely for
- the limited purpose of helping victims of dealership closings.
- 3 Any interest accrued by moneys in the Fund shall be deposited
- 4 and become part of the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund and its
- 5 purpose. The sole beneficiaries of the Dealer Recovery Trust
- 6 Fund are victims of dealership closings.
- 7 (c) Except where the context otherwise requires, the
- 8 following words and phrases, when used in this Section, have
- 9 the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection (c):
- "Applicant" means a person who applies for reimbursement
- 11 from the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund Board.
- 12 "Board" means the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund Board created
- 13 under this Section.
- "Dealer" means a new vehicle dealer licensed under Section
- 15 5-101 or a used vehicle dealer licensed under Section 5-102
- that meets the definition of "used car dealer" contained in
- 17 <u>Section 1-215 of this Code</u>, excepting a dealer who primarily
- 18 sells mobile homes, recreational vehicles, or trailers or any
- 19 dealer who sells 25 vehicles or fewer per calendar year.
- "Fund" means the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund created under
- 21 this Section.
- "Fund Administrator" means the private entity, which shall
- 23 be appointed by the Board, that administers the Dealer Recovery
- 24 Trust Fund.
- 25 (d) Beginning October 1, 2011, each application or renewal
- for a new vehicle dealer's license and each application or

renewal for a used vehicle dealer's license shall be accompanied by the applicable Annual Dealer Recovery Fund Fee under Section 5-101 or 5-102 of this Code. The fee shall be in addition to any other fees imposed under this Article, shall be submitted at the same time an application or renewal for a new vehicle dealer's license or used vehicle dealer's license is submitted, and shall be made payable to and remitted directly to the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund, a trust fund outside of the State Treasury which is hereby created. In addition, the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund may accept any federal, State, or private moneys for deposit into the Fund.

- (e) The Fund Administrator shall maintain a list of all dealers who have paid the fee under subsection (d) of this Section for the current year, which shall be available to the Secretary of State and the Board. The Secretary of State shall revoke the dealer license of any dealer who does not pay the fee imposed under subsection (d) of this Section. The Secretary of State and the Fund Administrator may enter into information sharing agreements as needed to implement this Section.
- (f) The Fund shall be audited annually by an independent auditor who is a certified public accountant and who has been selected by the Board. The independent auditor shall compile an annual report, which shall be filed with the Board and shall be a public record. The auditor shall be paid by the Fund, pursuant to an order of the Board.
 - (g) The Fund shall be maintained by the Fund Administrator,

who shall keep current records of the amounts deposited into the Fund and the amounts paid out of the Fund pursuant to an order of the Board. These records shall be made available to all members of the Board upon reasonable request during normal business hours. The Fund Administrator shall report the balance in the Fund to the Board monthly, by the 15th day of each month. For purposes of determining the amount available to pay claims under this Section at any meeting of the Board, the Board shall use the Fund Administrator's most recent monthly report. The Fund Administrator shall purchase liability insurance to cover management of the Fund at a cost not to exceed 2% of the balance in the Fund as of January 15th of that year.

- (h) In any year for which the balance in the Fund as of August 31st is greater than \$3,500,000, the Fund Administrator shall notify the Secretary of State and the Secretary of State shall suspend collection of the fee for the following year for any dealer who has not had a claim paid from the Fund, has not had his or her license suspended or revoked, and has not been assessed any civil penalties under this Code during the 3 previous years.
- (i) Moneys in the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund may be paid from the Fund only as directed by a written order of the Board and used only for the following purposes:
- (i) to pay claims under a written order of the Board as provided in this Section; or

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- (ii) to reimburse the Fund Administrator for its
 expenses related to the administration of the Fund,
 provided that the reimbursement to the Fund Administrator
 in any year shall not exceed 2% of the balance in the Fund
 as of January 15th of that year.
- (j) The Dealer Recovery Trust Fund Board is hereby created. 6 The Board shall consist of the Secretary of State, or his or 7 8 her designee, who shall serve as chair, the Attorney General, 9 or his or her designee, who shall serve as secretary, and one 10 person alternatively representing new and independent Illinois 11 automobile dealers, selected collectively by the Attorney General, or his or her designee, and the Secretary of State, or 12 his or her designee. The Secretary of State may propose 13 14 procedures and employ personnel as necessary to implement this 15 Section. The Board shall meet quarterly, and as needed, as 16 directed by the chair. The Board may not pay out any claims before the balance deposited into the Fund exceeds \$500,000. 17 18 Board meetings shall be open to the public. The Board has the 19 authority to take any action by at least a two-thirds majority 20 vote.
 - (k) The following persons may apply to the Board for reimbursement from the Dealer Recovery Trust Fund:
 - (i) A retail customer who, on or after October 1, 2011, purchases a vehicle from a dealer who subsequently files for bankruptcy or whose vehicle dealer's license is subsequently revoked by the Secretary of State or otherwise

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terminated and, as part of the purchase transaction, trades in a vehicle with an outstanding lien to the dealer if lien satisfaction was a condition of the purchase agreement and the retail customer determines that the lien has not been satisfied;

- (ii) A retail customer who, on or after October 1, 2011, purchases a vehicle with an undisclosed lien from a dealer who subsequently files for bankruptcy or whose vehicle dealer's license is subsequently revoked by the Secretary of State or otherwise terminated;
- (iii) A dealer who, on or after October 1, 2011, purchases a vehicle with an undisclosed lien from another dealer who subsequently files for bankruptcy or whose vehicle dealer's license is subsequently revoked by the Secretary of State or otherwise terminated.
- (1) To be considered by the Board, an applicant must submit his or her claim to the Board within 9 months after the date of the transaction that gave rise to the claim.
- (m) At each meeting of the Board, it shall consider all claims that are properly submitted to it on forms prescribed by the Secretary of State at least 30 days before the date of the Board's meeting. Before the Board may consider a claim against a dealer, it must make a written determination that the dealer has filed for bankruptcy under the provisions of 11 U.S.C. Chapter 7; that the Secretary of State has revoked his or her dealer's license; or that the license has been otherwise

terminated. Once the Board has made this determination, it may consider the applicant's claim against the dealer. If a two-thirds majority of the Board determines that the dealer has committed a violation under subsection (k), it shall grant the applicant's claim. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the maximum amount of any award for a claim under paragraph (i) of subsection (k) of this Section shall be equal to the amount of the unpaid balance of the lien that the dealer agreed to pay off on behalf of the applicant as shown on the bill of sale or the retail installment sales contract. The maximum amount of any claim under paragraph (ii) or (iii) of subsection (k) of this Section shall be equal to the amount of the undisclosed lien. However, no award for a claim under subsection (k) of this Section shall exceed \$35,000.

- (n) If the balance in the Fund at the time of any Board meeting is less than the amount of the total amount of all claims awarded at that meeting, then all awards made at that meeting shall be reduced, pro rata, so that the amount of claims does not exceed the balance in the Fund. Before it reviews new claims, the Board shall issue written orders to pay the remaining portion of any claims that were so reduced, provided that the balance in the Fund is sufficient to pay those claims.
- (o) Whenever the balance of the Fund falls below \$500,000, the Board may charge dealers an additional assessment of up to \$50 to bring the balance to at least \$500,000. Not more than

- one additional assessment may be made against a dealer in any 12-month period.
 - (p) If the total amount of claims awarded against any dealer exceeds 33% of the balance in the Fund, the Board may permanently reduce the amount of those claims, pro rata, so that those claims do not exceed 33% of the balance in the Fund.
 - (q) The Board shall issue a written order directing the Fund Administrator to pay an applicant's claim to a secured party where the Board has received a signed agreement between the applicant and the secured party holding the lien. The agreement must (i) state that the applicant and the secured party agree to accept payment from the Fund to the secured party as settlement in full of all claims against the dealer; and (ii) release the lien and the title, if applicable, to the vehicle that was the subject of the claim. The written order shall state the amount of the claim and the name and address of the secured party to whom the claim shall be paid. The Fund Administrator shall pay the claim within 30 days after it receives the Board's order.
 - (r) No dealer or principal associated with a dealer's license is eligible for licensure, renewal or relicensure until the full amount of reimbursement for an unpaid claim, plus interest as determined by the Board, is paid to the Fund. Nothing in this Section shall limit the authority of the Secretary of State to suspend, revoke, or levy civil penalties against a dealer, nor shall full repayment of the amount owed

- 1 to the Fund nullify or modify the effect of any action by the
- 2 Secretary.
- 3 (s) Nothing in this Section shall limit the right of any
- 4 person to seek relief though civil action against any other
- 5 person as an alternative to seeking reimbursement from the
- 6 Fund.
- 7 (t) This Section applies only to used car dealers as
- 8 defined in Section 1-215 of this Code.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 97-480, eff. 10-1-11.)
- 10 (625 ILCS 5/6-303) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-303)
- 11 Sec. 6-303. Driving while driver's license, permit or
- 12 privilege to operate a motor vehicle is suspended or revoked.
- 13 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a-5), any
- 14 person who drives or is in actual physical control of a motor
- 15 vehicle on any highway of this State at a time when such
- 16 person's driver's license, permit or privilege to do so or the
- 17 privilege to obtain a driver's license or permit is revoked or
- 18 suspended as provided by this Code or the law of another state,
- 19 except as may be specifically allowed by a judicial driving
- 20 permit issued prior to January 1, 2009, monitoring device
- 21 driving permit, family financial responsibility driving
- 22 permit, probationary license to drive, or a restricted driving
- 23 permit issued pursuant to this Code or under the law of another
- state, shall be quilty of a Class A misdemeanor.
- 25 (a-5) Any person who violates this Section as provided in

subsection (a) while his or her driver's license, permit or privilege is revoked because of a violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, relating to the offense of reckless homicide or a similar provision of a law of another state, is guilty of a Class 4 felony. The person shall be required to undergo a professional evaluation, as provided in Section 11-501 of this Code, to determine if an alcohol, drug, or intoxicating compound problem exists and the extent of the problem, and to undergo the imposition of treatment as appropriate.

(b) (Blank).

(b-1) Upon receiving a report of the conviction of any violation indicating a person was operating a motor vehicle during the time when the person's driver's license, permit or privilege was suspended by the Secretary of State or the driver's licensing administrator of another state, except as specifically allowed by a probationary license, judicial driving permit, restricted driving permit or monitoring device driving permit the Secretary shall extend the suspension for the same period of time as the originally imposed suspension unless the suspension has already expired, in which case the Secretary shall be authorized to suspend the person's driving privileges for the same period of time as the originally imposed suspension.

(b-2) Except as provided in subsection (b-6), upon receiving a report of the conviction of any violation

indicating a person was operating a motor vehicle when the person's driver's license, permit or privilege was revoked by the Secretary of State or the driver's license administrator of any other state, except as specifically allowed by a restricted driving permit issued pursuant to this Code or the law of another state, the Secretary shall not issue a driver's license for an additional period of one year from the date of such conviction indicating such person was operating a vehicle during such period of revocation.

(b-3) (Blank).

(b-4) When the Secretary of State receives a report of a conviction of any violation indicating a person was operating a motor vehicle that was not equipped with an ignition interlock device during a time when the person was prohibited from operating a motor vehicle not equipped with such a device, the Secretary shall not issue a driver's license to that person for an additional period of one year from the date of the conviction.

(b-5) Any person convicted of violating this Section shall serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 30 consecutive days or 300 hours of community service when the person's driving privilege was revoked or suspended as a result of a violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, as amended, relating to the offense of reckless homicide, or a similar provision of a law of another state.

(b-6) Upon receiving a report of a first conviction of

- operating a motor vehicle while the person's driver's license, permit or privilege was revoked where the revocation was for a violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 relating to the offense of reckless homicide or a similar out-of-state offense, the Secretary shall not issue a driver's license for an additional period of three years from the date of such conviction.
 - (c) Except as provided in subsections (c-3) and (c-4), any person convicted of violating this Section shall serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 10 consecutive days or 30 days of community service when the person's driving privilege was revoked or suspended as a result of:
 - (1) a violation of Section 11-501 of this Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance relating to the offense of operating or being in physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, any other drug or any combination thereof; or
 - (2) a violation of paragraph (b) of Section 11-401 of this Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance relating to the offense of leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident involving personal injury or death; or
 - (3) a statutory summary suspension or revocation under Section 11-501.1 of this Code.
- Such sentence of imprisonment or community service shall not be subject to suspension in order to reduce such sentence.
 - (c-1) Except as provided in subsections (c-5) and (d), any

- 1 person convicted of a second violation of this Section shall be
- 2 ordered by the court to serve a minimum of 100 hours of
- 3 community service.
- 4 (c-2) In addition to other penalties imposed under this
- 5 Section, the court may impose on any person convicted a fourth
- time of violating this Section any of the following: 6
- (1) Seizure of the license plates of the person's 7
- vehicle. 8
- 9 (2) Immobilization of the person's vehicle for a period
- 10 of time to be determined by the court.
- 11 (c-3) Any person convicted of a violation of this Section
- during a period of summary suspension imposed pursuant to 12
- 13 Section 11-501.1 when the person was eligible for a MDDP shall
- be quilty of a Class 4 felony and shall serve a minimum term of 14
- 15 imprisonment of 30 days.
- 16 (c-4) Any person who has been issued a MDDP and who is
- convicted of a violation of this Section as a result of 17
- 18 operating or being in actual physical control of a motor
- 19 vehicle not equipped with an ignition interlock device at the
- 20 time of the offense shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony and
- 21 shall serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 30 days.
- (c-5) Any person convicted of a second violation of this 22
- 23 Section is guilty of a Class 2 felony, is not eligible for
- 24 probation or conditional discharge, and shall serve a mandatory
- 25 term of imprisonment, if the revocation or suspension was for a
- 26 violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, relating

- to the offense of reckless homicide, or a similar out-of-state offense.
 - (d) Any person convicted of a second violation of this Section shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony and shall serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 30 days or 300 hours of community service, as determined by the court, if the original revocation or suspension was for a violation of Section 11-401 or 11-501 of this Code, or a similar out-of-state offense, or a similar provision of a local ordinance, or a statutory summary suspension or revocation under Section 11-501.1 of this Code.
 - (d-1) Except as provided in subsections (d-2), (d-2.5), and (d-3), any person convicted of a third or subsequent violation of this Section shall serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 30 days or 300 hours of community service, as determined by the court.
 - (d-2) Any person convicted of a third violation of this Section is guilty of a Class 4 felony and must serve a minimum term of imprisonment of 30 days if the revocation or suspension was for a violation of Section 11-401 or 11-501 of this Code, or a similar out-of-state offense, or a similar provision of a local ordinance, or a statutory summary suspension or revocation under Section 11-501.1 of this Code.
 - (d-2.5) Any person convicted of a third violation of this Section is guilty of a Class 1 felony, is not eligible for probation or conditional discharge, and must serve a mandatory term of imprisonment if the revocation or suspension was for a

- 1 violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, relating
- to the offense of reckless homicide, or a similar out-of-state 2
- offense. The person's driving privileges shall be revoked for 3
- 4 the remainder of the person's life.
- 5 (d-3) Any person convicted of a fourth, fifth, sixth,
- seventh, eighth, or ninth violation of this Section is quilty 6
- of a Class 4 felony and must serve a minimum term of 7
- 8 imprisonment of 180 days if the revocation or suspension was
- 9 for a violation of Section 11-401 or 11-501 of this Code, or a
- 10 similar out-of-state offense, or a similar provision of a local
- 11 ordinance, or a statutory summary suspension or revocation
- under Section 11-501.1 of this Code. 12
- 13 (d-3.5) Any person convicted of a fourth or subsequent
- 14 violation of this Section is quilty of a Class 1 felony, is not
- 15 eligible for probation or conditional discharge, and must serve
- 16 a mandatory term of imprisonment, and is eligible for an
- extended term, if the revocation or suspension was for a 17
- violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961, relating 18
- 19 to the offense of reckless homicide, or a similar out-of-state
- 20 offense.
- (d-4) Any person convicted of a tenth, eleventh, twelfth, 2.1
- 22 thirteenth, or fourteenth violation of this Section is guilty
- 23 of a Class 3 felony, and is not eligible for probation or
- 24 conditional discharge, if the revocation or suspension was for
- 25 a violation of Section 11-401 or 11-501 of this Code, or a
- 26 similar out-of-state offense, or a similar provision of a local

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- 1 ordinance, or a statutory summary suspension or revocation under Section 11-501.1 of this Code. 2
 - (d-5) Any person convicted of a fifteenth or subsequent violation of this Section is quilty of a Class 2 felony, and is not eligible for probation or conditional discharge, if the revocation or suspension was for a violation of Section 11-401 or 11-501 of this Code, or a similar out-of-state offense, or a similar provision of a local ordinance, or a statutory summary suspension or revocation under Section 11-501.1 of this Code.
 - (e) Any person in violation of this Section who is also in violation of Section 7-601 of this Code relating to mandatory insurance requirements, in addition to other penalties imposed under this Section, shall have his or her motor vehicle immediately impounded by the arresting law enforcement officer. The motor vehicle may be released to any licensed driver upon a showing of proof of insurance for the vehicle that was impounded and the notarized written consent for the release by the vehicle owner.
 - (f) For any prosecution under this Section, a certified copy of the driving abstract of the defendant shall be admitted as proof of any prior conviction.
 - (q) The motor vehicle used in a violation of this Section is subject to seizure and forfeiture as provided in Sections 36-1 and 36-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961 if the person's driving privilege was revoked or suspended as a result of:
- (1) a violation of Section 11-501 of this Code, a 26

1	similar provision of a local ordinance, or a similar
2	provision of a law of another state;
3	(2) a violation of paragraph (b) of Section 11-401 of
4	this Code, a similar provision of a local ordinance, or a
5	similar provision of a law of another state;
6	(3) a statutory summary suspension or revocation under
7	Section 11-501.1 of this Code or a similar provision of a
8	<pre>law of another state; or</pre>
9	(4) a violation of Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of
10	1961 relating to the offense of reckless homicide, or a
11	similar provision of a law of another state.
12	listed in paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (c) of this
13	Section, as a result of a summary suspension or revocation as
14	provided in paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of this Section, or
15	as a result of a violation of Section 9 3 of the Criminal Code
16	of 1961 relating to the offense of reckless homicide.
17	(Source: P.A. 95-27, eff. 1-1-08; 95-377, eff. 1-1-08; 95-400,
18	eff. 1-1-09; 95-578, eff. 6-1-08; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08; 95-991,
19	eff. 6-1-09; 96-502, eff. 1-1-10; 96-607, eff. 8-24-09;
20	96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 96-1344, eff. 7-1-11.)".