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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/909

from Ch. 120, par. 9-909

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that the Department shall (instead of may) prescribe regulations providing for a taxpayer election on an original return or an amended return for the crediting against the estimated tax for any taxable year of the amount determined by the taxpayer or the Department to be an overpayment of the tax imposed by this Act for a preceding taxable year. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by 5 changing Section 909 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 5/909) (from Ch. 120, par. 9-909)

7 Sec. 909. Credits and Refunds.

In general. In the case of any overpayment, the 8 (a) 9 Department, within the applicable period of limitations for a 10 claim for refund, may credit the amount of such overpayment, including any interest allowed thereon, against any liability 11 in respect of the tax imposed by this Act, regardless of 12 whether other collection remedies are closed to the Department 13 14 on the part of the person who made the overpayment and shall refund any balance to such person or credit any balance to that 15 16 person pursuant to an election in subparagraph (b) of this 17 Section.

(b) Credits against estimated tax. The Department <u>shall</u> may prescribe regulations providing for <u>a taxpayer election on an</u> <u>original return or an amended return for</u> the crediting against the estimated tax for any taxable year of the amount determined by the taxpayer or the Department to be an overpayment of the tax imposed by this Act for a preceding taxable year. - 2 - LRB097 17233 HLH 62433 b

(c) Interest on overpayment. Interest shall be allowed and 1 2 paid at the rate and in the manner prescribed in Section 3-2 of 3 the Uniform Penalty and Interest Act upon any overpayment in respect of the tax imposed by this Act. For purposes of this 4 subsection, no amount of tax, for any taxable year, shall be 5 6 treated as having been paid before the date on which the tax 7 return for such year was due under Section 505, without regard 8 to any extension of the time for filing such return.

9 (d) Refund claim. Every claim for refund shall be filed 10 with the Department in writing in such form as the Department 11 may by regulations prescribe, and shall state the specific 12 grounds upon which it is founded.

13 (e) Notice of denial. As soon as practicable after a claim 14 for refund is filed, the Department shall examine it and either issue a notice of refund, abatement or credit to the claimant 15 16 or issue a notice of denial. If the Department has failed to 17 approve or deny the claim before the expiration of 6 months the claim was filed, the claimant 18 from the date mav nevertheless thereafter file with the Department a written 19 20 protest in such form as the Department may by regulation 21 prescribe. If a protest is filed, the Department shall consider 22 the claim and, if the taxpayer has so requested, shall grant 23 the taxpayer or the taxpayer's authorized representative a hearing within 6 months after the date such request is filed. 24

(f) Effect of denial. A denial of a claim for refundbecomes final 60 days after the date of issuance of the notice

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of such denial except for such amounts denied as to which the claimant has filed a protest with the Department, as provided by Section 910.

(q) An overpayment of tax shown on the face of an unsigned 4 5 return shall be considered forfeited to the State if after 6 notice and demand for signature by the Department the taxpayer 7 fails to provide a signature and 3 years have passed from the 8 date the return was filed. An overpayment of tax refunded to a 9 taxpayer whose return was filed electronically shall be 10 considered an erroneous refund under Section 912 of this Act 11 if, after proper notice and demand by the Department, the 12 taxpayer fails to provide a required signature document. A 13 notice and demand for signature in the case of a return 14 reflecting an overpayment may be made by first class mail. This 15 subsection (g) shall apply to all returns filed pursuant to 16 this Act since 1969.

(h) This amendatory Act of 1983 applies to returns and claims for refunds filed with the Department on and after July 1, 1983.

20 (Source: P.A. 97-507, eff. 8-23-11.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 22 becoming law.

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