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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 500/20-120 30 ILCS 540/7

from Ch. 127, par. 132.407

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Provides that the Department of Transportation shall, by rule, implement a pilot program under which select construction contracts shall contain provisions that if a subcontractor has performed in accordance with the provisions of the subcontract and the work has been accepted by the Department, the Department shall pay the subcontractor directly. Provides that the program shall apply only to state-funded contracts under \$10 million in value and to those contracts with subcontracts that contain provisions corresponding to pay items that are exclusively and completely performed by the subcontractor. Provides that the program shall be implemented by January 1, 2013 and shall expire on January 1, 2014. Amends the State Prompt Payment Act. Provides that certain provisions concerning payments to subcontractors do not apply to payments to a subcontractor for work performed under a subcontract entered into with a construction contractor if the contract contains a provision that the State agency shall pay the subcontractor directly. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by 5 changing Section 20-120 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 500/20-120)

7 Sec. 20-120. Subcontractors.

(a) Any contract granted under this Code shall state 8 9 whether the services of a subcontractor will or may be used. The contract shall include the names and addresses of all known 10 subcontractors with subcontracts with an annual value of more 11 12 than \$25,000 and the expected amount of money each will receive 13 under the contract. For procurements subject to the authority 14 of the chief procurement officer appointed pursuant to subsection (a) (2) of Section 10-20, the contract shall include 15 16 only the names and addresses of all known subcontractors of the 17 primary contractor with subcontracts with an annual value of more than \$25,000. The contractor shall provide the chief 18 19 procurement officer or State purchasing officer a copy of any subcontract with an annual value of more than \$25,000 so 20 21 identified within 20 days after the execution of the State 22 contract or after execution of the subcontract, whichever is 23 later. A subcontractor, or contractor on behalf of а

subcontractor, may identify information that is 1 deemed 2 proprietary or confidential. If the chief procurement officer determines the information is not relevant to the primary 3 contract, the chief procurement officer may excuse 4 the 5 inclusion of the information. If the chief procurement officer determines the information is proprietary or could harm the 6 7 business interest of the subcontractor, the chief procurement officer may, in his or her discretion, redact the information. 8 9 Redacted information shall not become part of the public 10 record.

11 (b) If at any time during the term of a contract, a 12 contractor adds or changes any subcontractors, he or she shall promptly notify, in writing, the chief procurement officer, 13 14 State purchasing officer, or their designee of the names and 15 addresses and the expected amount of money each new or replaced 16 subcontractor will receive. The contractor shall provide to the 17 responsible chief procurement officer a copy of the subcontract within 20 days after the execution of the subcontract. 18

(c) In addition to any other requirements of this Code, a subcontract subject to this Section must include all of the subcontractor's certifications required by Article 50 of the Code.

23 (c-5) The Department of Transportation shall, by rule, 24 implement a pilot program under which select construction 25 contracts granted under this Code and all subcontracts pursuant 26 to those contracts shall contain provisions that if a SB3235

1	subcontractor has performed in accordance with the provisions
2	of his or her subcontract and the work has been accepted by the
3	Department, the Department shall pay the amount due the
4	subcontractor directly to the subcontractor pursuant to the
5	proper bill or invoice provided by the contractor to the
6	Department in accordance with the provisions of the State
7	Prompt Payment Act. If a construction contract granted under
8	this Code contains a provision that the Department shall pay
9	the subcontractor directly, the contractor shall deliver to the
10	Department a proper bill or invoice, as defined in the State
11	Prompt Payment Act, for each subcontractor with whom the
12	contractor has a subcontract. The pilot program shall apply
13	only to state-funded contracts under \$10 million in value and
14	to those contracts with subcontracts that contain provisions
15	corresponding to pay items that are exclusively and completely
16	performed by the subcontractor. The Secretary of
17	Transportation may exempt any contract from the pilot program
18	if the Secretary determines that the particular contract and
19	its related subcontracts are administratively burdensome. The
20	pilot program shall be implemented by January 1, 2013 and shall
21	expire on January 1, 2014. The Department and the Comptroller
22	shall report to the General Assembly the results of the pilot
23	program with recommendations on whether or not to continue the
24	program and any suggested improvements to the program.
25	(d) This Section applies to procurements solicited on or

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after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th

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1 General Assembly.

2 (Source: P.A. 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see Section 5 of P.A. 96-793
3 for the effective date of P.A. 96-795); 96-920, eff. 7-1-10.)

Section 10. The State Prompt Payment Act is amended bychanging Section 7 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 540/7) (from Ch. 127, par. 132.407)

7 Sec. 7. Payments to subcontractors and material suppliers. 8 (a) When a State official or agency responsible for 9 administering a contract submits a voucher to the Comptroller 10 for payment to a contractor, that State official or agency 11 shall promptly make available electronically the voucher 12 number, the date of the voucher, and the amount of the voucher. 13 The State official or agency responsible for administering the 14 contract shall provide subcontractors and material suppliers, 15 known to the State official or agency, with instructions on how to access the electronic information. When a contractor 16 17 receives any payment, the contractor shall pay each 18 subcontractor and material supplier in proportion to the work completed by each subcontractor and material supplier their 19 20 application, plus interest received under this Act, less any 21 retention. If the contractor receives less than the full payment due under the public construction contract, the 22 23 contractor shall be obligated to disburse on a pro rata basis 24 those funds received, plus interest received under this Act,

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with the contractor, subcontractors and material suppliers 1 2 each receiving a prorated portion based on the amount of 3 payment. When, however, the public owner does not release the full payment due under the contract because there are specific 4 5 areas of work or materials the contractor is rejecting or 6 because the contractor has otherwise determined such areas are 7 not suitable for payment, then those specific subcontractors or 8 suppliers involved shall not be paid for that portion of work 9 rejected or deemed not suitable for payment and all other 10 subcontractors and suppliers shall be paid in full, plus 11 interest received under this Act.

12 (b) If the contractor, without reasonable cause, fails to 13 make full payment of amounts due under subsection (a) to his 14 subcontractors and material suppliers within 15 days after 15 receipt of payment under the public construction contract, the 16 contractor shall pay to his subcontractors and material 17 suppliers, in addition to the payment due them, interest in the amount of 2% per month, calculated from the expiration of the 18 19 15-day period until fully paid. This subsection shall also apply to any payments made by subcontractors and material 20 suppliers to their subcontractors and material suppliers and to 21 22 all payments made to lower tier subcontractors and material 23 suppliers throughout the contracting chain.

(1) If a contractor, without reasonable cause, fails to
make payment in full as provided in subsection (a) within
15 days after receipt of payment under the public

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construction contract, any subcontractor or material supplier to whom payments are owed may file a written notice with the State official or agency setting forth the amount owed by the contractor and the contractor's failure to timely pay the amount owed.

(2) The State official or agency, within 15 days after 6 7 receipt of a subcontractor's or material supplier's written notice of the failure to receive payment from the 8 9 contractor, shall hold a hearing convened by an 10 administrative law judge to determine whether the 11 contractor withheld payment, without reasonable cause, 12 from the subcontractors and material suppliers and what amount, if any, is due to the subcontractors and material 13 14 suppliers. The State official or agency shall provide 15 appropriate notice to the parties of the date, time, and 16 location of the hearing. Each contractor, subcontractor, 17 and material supplier has the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing and to cross-examine witnesses and 18 19 challenge documents.

(3) If there is a finding by the administrative law
judge that the contractor failed to make payment in full,
without reasonable cause, as provided in subsection (a),
then the administrative law judge shall, in writing, direct
the contractor to pay the amount owed to the subcontractors
and material suppliers plus interest within 15 days after
the finding.

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1	(4) If a contractor fails to make full payment within
2	15 days after the administrative law judge's finding, then
3	the contractor shall be barred from entering into a State
4	public construction contract for a period of one year
5	beginning on the date of the administrative law judge's
6	finding.
7	(c) The provisions of this Section do not apply to payments
8	to a subcontractor for work performed under a subcontract
9	entered into with a construction contractor if the contract
10	contains a provision that the State agency shall pay the
11	subcontractor directly as required under a pilot program
12	implemented by the Department of Transportation.
13	(Source: P.A. 94-672, eff. 1-1-06; 94-972, eff. 7-1-07.)

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