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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 101

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 101 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Pawnbroker Regulation Act is amended by
5 changing Sections 0.05 and 4 as follows:

6 (205 ILCS 510/0.05)

7 Sec. 0.05. Administration of Act.

8 (a) This Act shall be administered by the Secretary of
9 Financial and Professional Regulation, and, beginning on July
10 28, 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1365), all
11 references in this Act to the Commissioner of Banks and Real
12 Estate are deemed, in appropriate contexts, to be references to
13 the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation, who
14 shall have all of the following powers and duties in
15 administering this Act:

16 (1) To promulgate reasonable rules for the purpose of

1 administering the provisions of this Act.

2 (2) To issue orders for the purpose of administering
3 the provisions of this Act and any rule promulgated in
4 accordance with this Act.

5 (2.5) To order restitution to consumers suffering
6 damages resulting from violations of this Act, rules
7 promulgated in accordance with this Act, or other laws or
8 regulations related to the operation of a pawnshop.

9 (3) To appoint hearing officers and to hire employees
10 or to contract with appropriate persons to execute any of
11 the powers granted to the Secretary under this Section for
12 the purpose of administering this Act and any rule
13 promulgated in accordance with this Act.

14 (4) To subpoena witnesses, to compel their attendance,
15 to administer an oath, to examine any person under oath,
16 and to require the production of any relevant books,
17 papers, accounts, and documents in the course of and
18 pursuant to any investigation being conducted, or any
19 action being taken, by the Secretary in respect of any
20 matter relating to the duties imposed upon, or the powers
21 vested in, the Secretary under the provisions of this Act
22 or any rule promulgated in accordance with this Act.

23 (5) To conduct hearings.

24 (6) To impose civil penalties ~~graduated~~ up to \$10,000
25 ~~\$1,000~~ against any person for each day that person violates
26 ~~violation of~~ any provision of this Act, any rule

1 promulgated in accordance with this Act, any State or
2 federal law affecting pawnbrokers, or any order of the
3 Secretary based upon the seriousness of the violation.

4 (6.5) To initiate, through the Attorney General,
5 injunction proceedings whenever it appears to the
6 Secretary that any person, whether licensed under this Act
7 or not, is engaged or about to engage in an act or practice
8 that constitutes or will constitute a violation of this Act
9 or any rule prescribed under the authority of this Act. The
10 Secretary may, in his or her discretion, through the
11 Attorney General, apply for an injunction, and upon a
12 proper showing, any circuit court may enter a permanent or
13 preliminary injunction or a temporary restraining order
14 without bond to enforce this Act in addition to the
15 penalties and other remedies provided for in this Act.

16 (7) To issue a cease and desist order and, for
17 violations of this Act, any order issued by the Secretary
18 pursuant to this Act, any rule promulgated in accordance
19 with this Act, or any other applicable law in connection
20 with the operation of a pawnshop, to suspend a license
21 issued under this Act for up to 30 days.

22 (8) To determine compliance with applicable law and
23 rules related to the operation of pawnshops and to verify
24 the accuracy of reports filed with the Secretary, the
25 Secretary, not more than one time every 2 years, may, but
26 is not required to, conduct a routine examination of a

1 pawnshop, and in addition, the Secretary may examine the
2 affairs of any pawnshop at any time if the Secretary has
3 reasonable cause to believe that unlawful or fraudulent
4 activity is occurring, or has occurred, therein.

5 (9) In response to a complaint, to address any
6 inquiries to any pawnshop in relation to its affairs, and
7 it shall be the duty of the pawnshop to promptly reply in
8 writing to such inquiries. The Secretary may also require
9 reports or information from any pawnshop at any time the
10 Secretary may deem desirable.

11 (10) To revoke a license issued under this Act if the
12 Secretary determines that (a) a licensee has been convicted
13 of a felony in connection with the operations of a
14 pawnshop; (b) a licensee knowingly, recklessly, or
15 continuously violated this Act or State or federal law or
16 regulation, a rule promulgated in accordance with this Act,
17 or any order of the Secretary; (c) a fact or condition
18 exists that, if it had existed or had been known at the
19 time of the original application, would have justified
20 license refusal; (d) the licensee knowingly submits
21 materially false or misleading documents with the intent to
22 deceive the Secretary or any other party; or (e) the
23 licensee is unable or ceases to continue to operate the
24 pawnshop.

25 (10.2) To remove or prohibit the employment of any
26 officer, director, employee, or agent of the pawnshop who

1 engages in or has engaged in unlawful activities that
2 relate to the operation of a pawnshop.

3 (10.7) To prohibit the hiring of employees who have
4 been convicted of a financial crime or any crime involving
5 breach of trust who do not meet exceptions as established
6 by rule of the Secretary.

7 (11) Following license revocation, to take possession
8 and control of a pawnshop for the purpose of examination,
9 reorganization, or liquidation through receivership and to
10 appoint a receiver, which may be the Secretary, a pawnshop,
11 or another suitable person.

12 (b) After consultation with local law enforcement
13 officers, the Attorney General, and the industry, the Secretary
14 may by rule require that pawnbrokers operate video camera
15 surveillance systems to record photographic representations of
16 customers and retain the tapes produced for up to 30 days.

17 (c) Pursuant to rule, the Secretary shall issue licenses on
18 an annual or multi-year basis for operating a pawnshop. Any
19 person currently operating or who has operated a pawnshop in
20 this State during the 2 years preceding the effective date of
21 this amendatory Act of 1997 shall be issued a license upon
22 payment of the fee required under this Act. New applicants
23 shall meet standards for a license as established by the
24 Secretary. Except with the prior written consent of the
25 Secretary, no individual, either a new applicant or a person
26 currently operating a pawnshop, may be issued a license to

1 operate a pawnshop if the individual has been convicted of a
2 felony or of any criminal offense relating to dishonesty or
3 breach of trust in connection with the operations of a
4 pawnshop. The Secretary shall establish license fees. The fees
5 shall not exceed the amount reasonably required for
6 administration of this Act. It shall be unlawful to operate a
7 pawnshop without a license issued by the Secretary.

8 (d) In addition to license fees, the Secretary may, by
9 rule, establish fees in connection with a review, approval, or
10 provision of a service, and levy a reasonable charge to recover
11 the cost of the review, approval, or service (such as a change
12 in control, change in location, or renewal of a license). The
13 Secretary may also levy a reasonable charge to recover the cost
14 of an examination if the Secretary determines that unlawful or
15 fraudulent activity has occurred. The Secretary may require
16 payment of the fees and charges provided in this Act by
17 certified check, money order, an electronic transfer of funds,
18 or an automatic debit of an account.

19 (e) The Pawnbroker Regulation Fund is established as a
20 special fund in the State treasury. Moneys collected under this
21 Act shall be deposited into the Fund and used for the
22 administration of this Act. In the event that General Revenue
23 Funds are appropriated to the Department of Financial and
24 Professional Regulation for the initial implementation of this
25 Act, the Governor may direct the repayment from the Pawnbroker
26 Regulation Fund to the General Revenue Fund of such advance in

1 an amount not to exceed \$30,000. The Governor may direct this
2 interfund transfer at such time as he deems appropriate by
3 giving appropriate written notice. Moneys in the Pawnbroker
4 Regulation Fund may be transferred to the Professions Indirect
5 Cost Fund, as authorized under Section 2105-300 of the
6 Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil
7 Administrative Code of Illinois.

8 (f) The Secretary may, by rule, require all pawnshops to
9 provide for the expenses that would arise from the
10 administration of the receivership of a pawnshop under this Act
11 through the assessment of fees, the requirement to pledge
12 surety bonds, or such other methods as determined by the
13 Secretary.

14 (g) All final administrative decisions of the Secretary
15 under this Act shall be subject to judicial review pursuant to
16 the provisions of the Administrative Review Law. For matters
17 involving administrative review, venue shall be in either
18 Sangamon County or Cook County.

19 (Source: P.A. 96-1038, eff. 7-14-10; 96-1365, eff. 7-28-10;
20 97-333, eff. 8-12-11.)

21 (205 ILCS 510/4) (from Ch. 17, par. 4654)

22 Sec. 4. Every pawnbroker shall, at the time of making any
23 advancement or loan, deliver to the person pawning or pledging
24 any property, a memorandum, contract, or note signed by him or
25 her containing an accurate account and description, in the

1 English language, of all the goods, articles or other things
2 pawned or pledged, the amount of money, ~~value of things loaned~~
3 ~~thereon,~~ the time of pledging the same, the rate of interest to
4 be paid on the loan, the name and residence of the person
5 making the pawn or pledge, and the amount of any fees as
6 specified in Section 2 of this Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 87-802.)

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