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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1712	
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 1712 by replaci	.ng
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:	
4 5	"Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended changing Section 1-2.2-55 as follows:	by
6	(65 ILCS 5/1-2.2-55)	
7	Sec. 1-2.2-55. Judgment on findings, decision, and order.	
8	(a) Any fine, other sanction, or costs imposed, or part	of
9	any fine, other sanction, or costs imposed, remaining unpa	id
10	after the exhaustion of, or the failure to exhaust, judici	.al
11	review procedures under the Administrative Review Law shall	be
12	a debt due and owing the municipality and, as such, may	be
13	collected in accordance with applicable law.	
14	(b) After expiration of the period within which judici	.al
15	review under the Administrative Review Law may be sought for	a a
16	final determination of the code violation, the municipality m	nay

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1 commence a proceeding in the circuit court of the county in 2 which the municipality is located for purpose of obtaining a judgment on the findings, decision, and order. Nothing in this 3 4 Section shall prevent a municipality from consolidating 5 multiple findings, decisions, and orders against a person in 6 such a proceeding. Upon commencement of the action, the municipality shall file a certified copy of the findings, 7 and order, which shall be accompanied by a 8 decision. 9 certification that recites facts sufficient to show that the 10 findings, decision, and order was issued in accordance with 11 this Division and the applicable municipal ordinance. Service of the summons and a copy of the petition may be by any method 12 13 provided for by Section 2-203 of the Code of Civil Procedure or 14 by certified mail, return receipt requested, provided that the 15 total amount of fines, other sanctions, and costs imposed by 16 the findings, decision, and order does not exceed \$2,500. If the court is satisfied that the findings, decision, and order 17 was entered in accordance with the requirements of this 18 19 Division and the applicable municipal ordinance and that the 20 defendant had an opportunity for a hearing under this Division 21 and for judicial review as provided in this Division:

(1) The court shall render judgment in favor of the
municipality and against the defendant for the amount
indicated in the findings, decision and order, plus costs.
The judgment shall have the same effect and may be enforced
in the same manner as other judgments for the recovery of

1 money.

2 (2) The court may also issue any other orders and 3 injunctions that are requested by the municipality to 4 enforce the order of the hearing officer to correct a code 5 violation.

6 (c) In place of a proceeding under subsection (b) of this Section, after expiration of the period in which judicial 7 review under the Illinois Administrative Review Law may be 8 9 sought for a final determination of a code violation, unless 10 stayed by a court of competent jurisdiction, the findings, 11 decision, and order of the hearing officer may be enforced in the same manner as a judgment entered by a court of competent 12 13 jurisdiction.

14 In any case in which a defendant has failed to comply with 15 a judgment ordering a defendant to correct a code violation or 16 imposing any fine or other sanction as a result of a code violation, any expenses incurred by a municipality to enforce 17 the judgment, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees, 18 court costs, and costs related to property demolition or 19 20 foreclosure, after they are fixed by a court of competent jurisdiction or a hearing officer, shall be a debt due and 21 22 owing the municipality and may be collected in accordance with applicable law. Prior to any expenses being fixed by a hearing 23 24 officer pursuant to this subsection (c), the municipality shall 25 provide notice to the defendant that states that the defendant shall appear at a hearing before the administrative hearing 26

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1	officer to determine whether the defendant has failed to comply
2	with the judgment. The notice shall set the date for such a
3	hearing, which shall not be less than 7 days from the date that
4	notice is served. If notice is served by mail, the 7-day period
5	shall begin to run on the date that the notice was deposited in
6	the mail.
7	Upon being recorded in the manner required by Article XII
8	of the Code of Civil Procedure or by the Uniform Commercial
9	Code, a lien shall be imposed on the real estate or personal
10	estate, or both, of the defendant in the amount of any debt due
11	and owing the municipality under this Section. The lien may be
12	enforced in the same manner as a judgment lien pursuant to a
13	judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.
14	A hearing officer may set aside any judgment entered by
15	default and set a new hearing date, upon a petition filed
16	within 21 days after the issuance of the order of default, if
17	the hearing officer determines that the petitioner's failure to
18	appear at the hearing was for good cause or at any time if the
19	petitioner establishes that the municipality did not provide
20	proper service of process. If any judgment is set aside
21	pursuant to this subsection (c), the hearing officer shall have
22	authority to enter an order extinguishing any lien which has
23	been recorded for any debt due and owing the municipality as a
24	result of the vacated default judgment.
25	(Source: P.A. 90-777, eff. 1-1-99.)

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