

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 Sections 509 and 509.1 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 5/509) (from Ch. 120, par. 5-509)

7 Sec. 509. Tax checkoff explanations.

8 (a) All individual income tax return forms shall contain
9 appropriate explanations and spaces to enable the taxpayers to
10 designate contributions to the funds to which contributions may
11 be made under this Article 5.

12 (b) Each form shall contain a statement that the
13 contributions will reduce the taxpayer's refund or increase the
14 amount of payment to accompany the return. Failure to remit any
15 amount of increased payment shall reduce the contribution
16 accordingly.

17 (c) If, on October 1 of any year, the total contributions
18 to any one of the funds made under this Article 5 do not equal
19 \$100,000 or more, the explanations and spaces for designating
20 contributions to the fund shall be removed from the individual
21 income tax return forms for the following and all subsequent
22 years and all subsequent contributions to the fund shall be
23 refunded to the taxpayer. This contribution requirement does

1 not apply to the Diabetes Research Checkoff Fund checkoff
2 contained in Section 507GG of this Act or the Veterans' Homes
3 Fund checkoff established under Section 507DD of this Act.

4 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
5 Department shall include the Hunger Relief Fund checkoff
6 established under Section 507SS on the individual income tax
7 form for the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2012. If, on
8 October 1, 2013, or on October 1 of any subsequent year, the
9 total contributions to the Hunger Relief Fund checkoff do not
10 equal \$100,000 or more, the explanations and spaces for
11 designating contributions to the fund shall be removed from the
12 individual income tax return forms for the following and all
13 subsequent years and all subsequent contributions to the fund
14 shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

15 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the
16 Veterans' Homes Fund checkoff established under Section 507DD
17 fails to meet the \$100,000 contribution requirement set forth
18 in subsection (c) for 2 consecutive calendar years, then the
19 explanations and spaces for designating contributions to the
20 fund shall be removed from the individual income tax return
21 forms for the following and all subsequent years and all
22 subsequent contributions to the fund shall be refunded to the
23 taxpayer.

24 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
25 Department shall include the Veterans' Homes Fund checkoff
26 established under Section 507DD on the individual income tax

1 form for the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2013.

2 (Source: P.A. 96-328, eff. 8-11-09; 97-1117, eff. 8-27-12.)

3 (35 ILCS 5/509.1)

4 Sec. 509.1. Removal of excess tax-checkoff funds.
5 Notwithstanding any provisions of this Act to the contrary,
6 beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
7 95th General Assembly, there may not be more than 15
8 tax-checkoff funds contained on the individual tax return form
9 at any one time. Each year, the Department shall determine
10 whether the sum of (i) the number of new tax-checkoff funds
11 created by the General Assembly during that year plus (ii) the
12 number of tax-checkoff funds that collected at least \$100,000
13 during the previous year exceeds 15. If so, then the Department
14 shall remove a number of tax-checkoff funds that were on the
15 return during the previous year that is equal to the sum of
16 items (i) and (ii) minus 15, starting with the tax-checkoff
17 fund that received the least amount of contributions and
18 working upward until a sufficient number of funds have been
19 removed. The Hunger Relief Fund checkoff established under
20 Section 507SS shall be included among the 15 tax-checkoff funds
21 as provided in subsection (d) of Section 509 of this Act.

22 For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2012, the
23 Diabetes Research Checkoff Fund checkoff contained in Section
24 507GG of this Act shall be included on the individual tax
25 return form notwithstanding the provisions of this Section. The

1 Diabetes Research Checkoff Fund checkoff shall not be included
2 when calculating the 15 tax-checkoff fund limitation set forth
3 in this Section.

4 The Veterans' Homes Fund checkoff established under
5 Section 507DD shall not be included when calculating the 15
6 tax-checkoff fund limitation set forth in this Section.

7 (Source: P.A. 97-1117, eff. 8-27-12.)

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