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- 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 3530 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 3530 by replacing 2 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following: "Section 5. The Department of Employment Security Law of 4 5 the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 1005-47 as follows: 6 7 (20 ILCS 1005/1005-47) Sec. 1005-47. IllinoisJobLink.com. 8 (a) The Department of Employment Security, through its 9 10 IllinoisJobLink.com System, or a successor system, shall 11 maintain a web site that allows job seekers to search online
- 14 (b) Each executive branch State agency and any individual 15 or entity that is party to a contract with an executive branch 16 State agency, except those individuals or entities that are

for employment opportunities that match the skills of the

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party to a contract with a bona fide labor organization and perform construction or construction-related services defined in Section 1-15.20 of the Illinois Procurement Code, must either (i) post employment vacancies on the Department's IllinoisJobLink.com System or its successor system or (ii) provide an online link to its employment vacancies so that this link is accessible through the web page of the IllinoisJobLink.com System or its successor system. "State agency" has the meaning as defined in Section 1-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act and, for purposes of this Section, includes community colleges. "Contract" has the meaning given to that term in Section 1-15.30 of the Illinois Procurement Code. The Department of Central Management Services shall comply with this Section on behalf of executive branch State agencies with one or more positions subject to any jurisdiction of the Personnel Code.

This Section does not apply to positions exempt from the requirements of the Rutan decision or to construction-related services as defined in Section 1-15.20 of the Illinois Procurement Code.

- (c) All units of local government, school districts, and other public and private employers not subject to subsection(b) may, and are encouraged to, post employment vacancies on the IllinoisJobLink.com System or successor system.
- 25 (d) The Department may not charge any employer or any 26 person seeking employment a fee for using the

- 1 IllinoisJobLink.com System or successor system.
- 2 (e) The Department is authorized to adopt all rules
- 3 necessary to implement and administer the IllinoisJobLink.com
- 4 System or any successor system under this Section.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 98-107, eff. 7-23-13.)
- 6 Section 10. The Public Employment Office Act is amended by
- 7 changing Section 7 as follows:
- 8 (20 ILCS 1015/7) (from Ch. 48, par. 183)
- 9 Sec. 7. No fee or compensation shall be charged or received
- directly or indirectly from persons applying for employment or
- 11 help through said free employment offices, and any officer or
- 12 employee of the Department of Employment Security who shall
- 13 accept, directly or indirectly any fee or compensation from any
- 14 applicant or from his or her representative shall be guilty of
- 15 a Class C misdemeanor, except that this Section does not
- prohibit referral of an individual to an apprenticeship program
- 17 that is approved by and registered with the United States
- 18 Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training and
- charges an application fee of \$50 or less.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 83-1503.)
- 21 Section 15. The Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by
- 22 changing Sections 206.1, 702, 1402, 2101, 2201, 2201.1, 2401,
- and 2403 and by adding Sections 502 and 1402.1 as follows:

1 (820 ILCS 405/206.1)

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- Sec. 206.1. Employment; employee leasing company.
- 3 A. For purposes of this Section:
  - 1. "Client" means an individual or entity which has contracted with an employee leasing company to supply it with or assume responsibility for personnel management of one or more workers to perform services on an on-going basis rather than under a temporary help arrangement, as defined in Section 15 of the Employee Leasing Company Act.
  - 2. "Employee leasing company" means an individual or entity which contracts with a client to supply or assume responsibility for personnel management of one or more workers to perform services for the client on an on-going basis rather than under a temporary help arrangement, as defined in Section 15 of the Employee Leasing Company Act.
  - B. Subject to subsection C, services performed by an individual under a contract between an employee leasing company and client, including but not limited to services performed in the capacity of a corporate officer of the client, are services in "employment" of the employee leasing company and are not services in "employment" of the client if all of the following conditions are met:
  - 1. The employee leasing company pays the individual for the services directly from its own accounts; and
    - 2. The employee leasing company, exclusively or in

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- conjunction with the client, retains the right to direct 1 and control the individual in the performance of the 2 services; and 3
  - 3. The employee leasing company, exclusively or in conjunction with the client, retains the right to hire and terminate the individual; and
  - 4. The employee leasing company reports each client in the manner the Director prescribes by regulation; and  $\div$
  - 5. The employee leasing company has provided, and there remains in effect, such irrevocable indemnification, as the Director may require by rule, to create a primary obligation on the part of the provider to the Illinois Department of Employment Security for obligations of the employee leasing company accrued and final under this Act. The rule may prescribe the form the indemnification shall take including, but not limited to, a surety bond or an irrevocable standby letter of credit. The obligation required pursuant to the rule shall not exceed \$1,000,000.
  - C. Notwithstanding subsection B, services performed by an individual under a contract between an employee leasing company and client, including but not limited to services performed in the capacity of a corporate officer of the client, are services "employment" of the client and are not services in "employment" of the employee leasing company if:
  - 1. The contribution rate, or, where applicable, the amended contribution rate, of the client is greater than

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- the sum of the fund building rate established for the year pursuant to Section 1506.3 of this Act plus the greater of 2.7% or 2.7% times the adjusted state experience factor for the year; and
  - 2. The contribution rate, or, where applicable, the amended contribution rate, of the employee leasing company is less than the contribution rate, or, where applicable, the amended contribution rate of the client by more than 1.5% absolute.
  - D. Except as provided in this Section and notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, services performed by an individual under a contract between an employee leasing company and client, including but not limited to services performed in the capacity of a corporate officer of the client, are services in "employment" of the client and are not services in "employment" of the employee leasing company.
  - E. Nothing in this Section shall be construed or used to effect the existence of an employment relationship other than for purposes of this Act.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 91-890, eff. 7-6-00.)
- 21 (820 ILCS 405/502 new)
- Sec. 502. Eligibility for benefits under the Short-Time
- 23 <u>Compensation Program.</u>
- A. The Director may by rule establish a short-time

compensation program consistent with this Section.

1	short-time compensation shall be payable except as authorized
2	by rule.
3	B. As used in this Section:
4	"Affected unit" means a specified plant, department,
5	shift, or other definable unit that includes 2 or more workers
6	to which an approved short-time compensation plan applies.
7	"Health and retirement benefits" means employer-provided
8	health benefits and retirement benefits under a defined benefit
9	pension plan (as defined in Section 414(j) of the Internal
10	Revenue Code) or contributions under a defined contribution
11	plan (defined in Section 414(i) of the Internal Revenue Code),
12	which are incidents of employment in addition to the cash
13	remuneration earned.
14	"Short-time compensation" means the unemployment benefits
15	payable to employees in an affected unit under an approved
16	short-time compensation plan, as distinguished from the
17	unemployment benefits otherwise payable under this Act.
18	"Short-time compensation plan" means a plan submitted by an
19	employer, for approval by the Director, under which the
20	employer requests the payment of short-time compensation to
21	workers in an affected unit of the employer to avert layoffs.
22	"Usual weekly hours of work" means the usual hours of work
23	for full-time or part-time employees in the affected unit when
24	that unit is operating on its regular basis, not to exceed 40

hours and not including hours of overtime work.

"Unemployment insurance" means the unemployment benefits

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- 1 payable under this Act other than short-time compensation and
- 2 includes any amounts payable pursuant to an agreement under any
- 3 <u>Federal law providing for compensation</u>, assistance, or
- 4 <u>allowances with respect to unemployment.</u>
- 5 C. An employer wishing to participate in the short-time
- 6 compensation program shall submit a signed written short-time
- 7 compensation plan to the Director for approval. The Director
- 8 <u>shall develop an application form to request approval of a</u>
- 9 short-time compensation plan and an approval process. The
- 10 <u>application shall include:</u>
- 1. The employer's unemployment insurance account
- number, the affected unit covered by the plan, including
- the number of full-time or part-time workers in such unit,
- the percentage of workers in the affected unit covered by
- 15 the plan, identification of each individual employee in the
- affected unit by name and social security number, and any
- other information required by the Director to identify plan
- 18 <u>participants.</u>
- 2. A description of how workers in the affected unit
- will be notified of the employer's participation in the
- 21 short-time compensation plan if such application is
- approved, including how the employer will notify those
- workers in a collective bargaining unit as well as any
- workers in the affected unit who are not in a collective
- 25 bargaining unit. If the employer will not provide advance
- 26 <u>notice to workers in the affected unit, the employer shall</u>

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- 3. The employer's certification that it has the approval of the plan from all collective bargaining representatives of employees in the affected unit and has notified all employees in the affected unit who are not in a collective bargaining unit of the plan.
- 4. The employer's certification that it will not hire additional part-time or full-time employees for, or transfer employees to, the affected unit, while the program is in operation.
- 5. A requirement that the employer identify the usual weekly hours of work for employees in the affected unit and the specific percentage by which their hours will be reduced during all weeks covered by the plan. An application shall specify the percentage of reduction for which a short-time compensation application may be approved which shall be not less than 20% and not more than 60%. If the plan includes any week for which the employer regularly provides no work (due to a holiday or other plant closing), then such week shall be identified in the application.
- 6. Certification by the employer that, if the employer provides health and retirement benefits to any employee whose usual weekly hours of work are reduced under the program, such benefits will continue to be provided to the

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employee participating in the short-time compensation program under the same terms and conditions as though the usual weekly hours of work of such employee had not been reduced or to the same extent as other employees not participating in the short-time compensation program. For defined benefit retirement plans, the hours that are reduced under the short-time compensation plan shall be credited for purposes of participation, vesting, and accrual of benefits as though the usual weekly hours of work had not been reduced. The dollar amount of employer contributions to a defined contribution plan that are based on a percentage of compensation may be less due to the reduction in the employee's compensation. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, a certification that a reduction in health and retirement benefits is scheduled to occur during the duration of the plan and will be applicable equally to employees who are not participating in the short-time compensation program and to those employees who are participating satisfies this paragraph.

7. Certification by the employer that the aggregate reduction in work hours is in lieu of layoffs (temporary or permanent layoffs, or both). The application shall include an estimate of the number of workers who would have been laid off in the absence of the short-time compensation plan.

8. Agreement by the employer to: furnish reports to the

Director relating to the proper conduct of the plan; allow
the Director or his or her authorized representatives
access to all records necessary to approve or disapprove
the plan application, and after approval of a plan, to
monitor and evaluate the plan; and follow any other
directives the Director deems necessary for the agency to
implement the plan and which are consistent with the
requirements for plan applications.

- 9. Certification by the employer that participation in the short-time compensation plan and its implementation is consistent with the employer's obligations under applicable Federal and Illinois laws.
- 10. The effective date and duration of the plan, which shall expire no later than the end of the 12th full calendar month after the effective date.
- 11. Any other provision added to the application by the Director that the United States Secretary of Labor determines to be appropriate for purposes of a short-time compensation program.
- D. The Director shall approve or disapprove a short-time compensation plan in writing within 45 days of its receipt and promptly communicate the decision to the employer. A decision disapproving the plan shall clearly identify the reasons for the disapproval. The disapproval shall be final, but the employer shall be allowed to submit another short-time compensation plan for approval not earlier than 30 days from

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the date of the disapproval.

E. The short-time compensation plan shall be effective on the mutually agreed upon date by the employer and the Director, which shall be specified in the notice of approval to the employer. The plan shall expire on the date specified in the notice of approval, which shall be mutually agreed on by the employer and Director but no later than the end of the 12th full calendar month after its effective date. However, if a short-time compensation plan is revoked by the Director, the plan shall terminate on the date specified in the Director's written order of revocation. An employer may terminate a short-time compensation plan at any time upon written notice to the Director. Upon receipt of such notice from the employer, the Director shall promptly notify each member of the affected unit of the termination date. An employer may submit a new application to participate in another short-time compensation plan at any time after the expiration or termination date.

F. The Director may revoke approval of a short-time compensation plan for good cause at any time, including upon the request of any of the affected unit's employees or their collective bargaining representative. The revocation order shall be in writing and shall specify the reasons for the revocation and the date the revocation is effective. The Director may periodically review the operation of each employer's short-time compensation plan to assure that no good cause exists for revocation of the approval of the plan. Good

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cause shall include, but not be limited to, failure to comply with the assurances given in the plan, termination of the approval of the plan by a collective bargaining representative of employees in the affected unit, unreasonable revision of productivity standards for the affected unit, conduct or occurrences tending to defeat the intent and effective operation of the short-time compensation plan, and violation of any criteria on which approval of the plan was based.

G. An employer may request a modification of an approved plan by filing a written request to the Director. The request shall identify the specific provisions proposed to be modified and provide an explanation of why the proposed modification is appropriate for the short-time compensation plan. The Director shall approve or disapprove the proposed modification in writing within 30 days of receipt and promptly communicate the decision to the employer. The Director, in his or her discretion, may approve a request for modification of the plan based on conditions that have changed since the plan was approved provided that the modification is consistent with and supports the purposes for which the plan was initially approved. A modification may not extend the expiration date of the original plan, and the Director must promptly notify the employer whether the plan modification has been approved and, if approved, the effective date of modification. An employer is not required to request approval of plan modification from the Director if the change is not substantial, but the employer

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- 2 in writing. The Director may terminate an employer's plan if
- 3 the employer fails to meet this reporting requirement. If the
- 4 Director determines that the reported change is substantial,
- 5 the Director shall require the employer to request a
- 6 modification to the plan.
- H. An individual is eligible to receive short-time 7
- 8 compensation with respect to any week only if the individual is
- 9 eligible for unemployment insurance pursuant to subsection E of
- 10 Section 500, not otherwise disqualified for unemployment
- 11 insurance, and:
- 1. During the week, the individual is employed as a 12
- 13 member of an affected unit under an approved short-time
- 14 compensation plan, which was approved prior to that week,
- 15 and the plan is in effect with respect to the week for
- which short-time compensation is claimed. 16
- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act 17
- relating to availability for work and actively seeking 18
- 19 work, the individual is available for the individual's
- 20 usual hours of work with the short-time compensation
- 2.1 employer, which may include, for purposes of this Section,
- 22 participating in training to enhance job skills that is
- approved by the Director, including but not limited to as 23
- 24 employer-sponsored training or training funded under the
- 25 Workforce Investment Act of 1998.
- 26 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an

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individual covered by a short-time compensation plan is 1 2 deemed unemployed in any week during the duration of such 3 plan if the individual's remuneration as an employee in an 4 affected unit is reduced based on a reduction of the 5 individual's usual weekly hours of work under an approved 6 short-time compensation plan.

I. The short-time compensation weekly benefit amount shall be the product of the percentage of reduction in the individual's usual weekly hours of work multiplied by the sum of the regular weekly benefit amount for a week of total unemployment plus any applicable dependent allowance pursuant to subsection C of Section 401.

- 1. An individual may be eligible for short-time compensation or unemployment insurance, as appropriate, except that no individual shall be eligible for combined benefits (excluding any payments attributable to a dependent allowance pursuant to subsection C of Section 401) in any benefit year in an amount more than the maximum benefit amount, nor shall an individual be paid short-time compensation benefits for more than 52 weeks under a short-time compensation plan.
- 2. The short-time compensation paid to an individual (excluding any payments attributable to a dependent allowance pursuant to subsection C of Section 401) shall be deducted from the maximum benefit amount established for that individual's benefit year.

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3. Provisions applicable to unemployment insurance
claimants shall apply to short-time compensation claimants
to the extent that they are not inconsistent with
short-time compensation provisions. An individual who
files an initial claim for short-time compensation
benefits shall receive a monetary determination.
4. The following provisions apply to individuals who
work for both a short-time compensation employer and
another employer during weeks covered by the approved
short-time compensation plan:

i. If combined hours of work in a week for both employers do not result in a reduction of at least 20% of the usual weekly hours of work with the short-time compensation employer, the individual shall not be entitled to benefits under this Section.

ii. If combined hours of work for both employers results in a reduction equal to or greater than 20% of the usual weekly hours of work for the short-time compensation employer, the short-time compensation benefit amount payable to the individual is reduced for that week and is determined by multiplying the percentage by which the combined hours of work have been reduced by the sum of the weekly benefit amount for a week of total unemployment plus any applicable dependent allowance pursuant to subsection C of Section 401. A week for which benefits are paid under

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this subparagraph shall be reported as a week of short-time compensation.

iii. If an individual worked the reduced percentage of the usual weekly hours of work for the short-time compensation employer and is available for all his or her usual hours of work with the short-time compensation employer, and the individual did not work any hours for the other employer either because of the lack of work with that employer or because the individual is excused from work with the other employer, the individual shall be eligible for short-time compensation for that week. The benefit amount for such week shall be calculated as provided in the introductory clause of this subsection I.

iv. An individual who is not provided any work during a week by the short-time compensation employer, or any other employer, and who is otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance shall be eligible for the amount of regular unemployment insurance determined without regard to this Section.

v. An individual who is not provided any work by the short-time compensation employer during a week, but who works for another employer and is otherwise eligible may be paid unemployment insurance for that week subject to the disqualifying income and other provisions applicable to claims for regular

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1 unemployment insurance.

> J. Short-time compensation shall be charged to employers in the same manner as unemployment insurance is charged under Illinois law. Employers liable for payments in lieu of contributions shall have short-time compensation attributed to service in their employ in the same manner as unemployment insurance is attributed. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, to the extent that short-term compensation payments under this Section are reimbursed by the federal government, no benefit charges or payments in lieu of contributions shall be accrued by a participating employer.

> K. A short-time compensation plan shall not be approved for an employer that is delinquent in the filing of any reports required or the payment of contributions, payments in lieu of contributions, interest, or penalties due under this Act through the date of the employer's application.

> L. Overpayments of other benefits under this Act may be recovered from an individual receiving short-time compensation under this Act in the manner provided under Sections 900 and 901. Overpayments under the short-time compensation plan may be recovered from an individual receiving other benefits under this Act in the manner provided under Sections 900 and 901.

> M. An individual who has received all of the short-time compensation or combined unemployment insurance and short-time compensation available in a benefit year shall be considered an exhaustee for purposes of extended benefits, as provided under

- the provisions of Section 409, and, if otherwise eligible under 1
- those provisions, shall be eligible to receive extended 2
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4 (820 ILCS 405/702) (from Ch. 48, par. 452)

Sec. 702. Determinations. The claims adjudicator shall for each week with respect to which the claimant claims benefits or waiting period credit, make a "determination" which shall state whether or not the claimant is eligible for such benefits or waiting period credit and the sum to be paid the claimant with respect to such week. The claims adjudicator shall promptly notify the claimant and such employing unit as shall, within the time and in the manner prescribed by the Director, have filed a sufficient allegation that the claimant is ineligible to receive benefits or waiting period credit for said week, of his "determination" and the reasons therefor. The Director may, by rule adopted with the advice and aid of the Employment Security Advisory Board, require that an employing unit with 2550 or more individuals in its employ during a the prior calendar year, or an entity representing 5 or more employing units during a the prior calendar year, file an allegation of ineligibility electronically in a manner prescribed by the Director for the one year period commencing on July 1 of the immediately succeeding calendar year and ending on June 30 of the second succeeding calendar year. In making his "determination," the claims adjudicator shall give

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consideration to the information, if any, contained in the employing unit's allegation, whether or not the allegation is sufficient. The claims adjudicator shall deem an employing unit's allegation sufficient only if it contains a reason or reasons therefor (other than general conclusions of law, and statements such as "not actively seeking work" or "not available for work" shall be deemed, for this purpose, to be conclusions of law). If the claims adjudicator deems an allegation insufficient, he shall make a decision accordingly, and shall notify the employing unit of such decision and the reasons therefor. Such decision may be appealed by the employing unit to a Referee within the time limits prescribed by Section 800 for appeal from a "determination". Any such appeal, and any appeal from the Referee's decision thereon, shall be governed by the applicable provisions of Sections 801, 803, 804 and 805.

(Source: P.A. 97-621, eff. 11-18-11.) 17

(820 ILCS 405/1402) (from Ch. 48, par. 552) 18

19 Sec. 1402. Penalties.

> A. If any employer fails, within the time prescribed in this Act as amended and in effect on October 5, 1980, and the regulations of the Director, to file a report of wages paid to each of his workers, or to file a sufficient report of such wages after having been notified by the Director to do so, for any period which begins prior to January 1, 1982, he shall pay

1 to the Department as a penalty a sum determined in accordance 2 with the provisions of this Act as amended and in effect on

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B. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, employer who fails to file a report of wages paid to each of his workers for any period which begins on or after January 1, 1982, within the time prescribed by the provisions of this Act and the regulations of the Director, or, if the Director pursuant to such regulations extends the time for filing the report, fails to file it within the extended time, shall, in addition to any sum otherwise payable by him under the provisions of this Act, pay to the Department as a penalty a sum equal to the lesser of (1) \$5 for each \$10,000 or fraction thereof of the total wages for insured work paid by him during the period or (2) \$2,500, for each month or part thereof of such failure to file the report. With respect to an employer who has elected to file reports of wages on an annual basis pursuant to Section 1400.2, in assessing penalties for the failure to submit all reports by the due date established pursuant to that Section, the 30-day period immediately following the due date shall be considered as one month.

If the Director deems an employer's report of wages paid to each of his workers for any period which begins on or after January 1, 1982, insufficient, he shall notify the employer to file a sufficient report. If the employer fails to file such sufficient report within 30 days after the mailing of the

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notice to him, he shall, in addition to any sum otherwise payable by him under the provisions of this Act, pay to the Department as a penalty a sum determined in accordance with the provisions of the first paragraph of this subsection, for each month or part thereof of such failure to file such sufficient report after the date of the notice.

For wages paid in calendar years prior to 1988, the penalty or penalties which accrue under the two foregoing paragraphs with respect to a report for any period shall not be less than \$100, and shall not exceed the lesser of (1) \$10 for each \$10,000 or fraction thereof of the total wages for insured work paid during the period or (2) \$5,000. For wages paid in calendar years after 1987, the penalty or penalties which accrue under the 2 foregoing paragraphs with respect to a report for any period shall not be less than \$50, and shall not exceed the lesser of (1) \$10 for each \$10,000 or fraction of the total wages for insured work paid during the period or (2) \$5,000. With respect to an employer who has elected to file reports of wages on an annual basis pursuant to Section 1400.2, for purposes of calculating the minimum penalty prescribed by this Section for failure to file the reports on a timely basis, a calendar year shall constitute a single period. For reports of wages paid after 1986, the Director shall not, however, impose a penalty pursuant to either of the two foregoing paragraphs on any employer who can prove within 30 working days after the mailing of a notice of his failure to file such a

report, that (1) the failure to file the report is his first such failure during the previous 20 consecutive calendar quarters, and (2) the amount of the total contributions due for the calendar quarter of such report (or, in the case of an employer who is required to file the reports on a monthly basis, the amount of the total contributions due for the calendar quarter that includes the month of such report) is less than \$500.

For any month which begins on or after January 1, 2013, a report of the wages paid to each of an employer's workers shall be due on or before the last day of the month next following the calendar month in which the wages were paid if the employer is required to report such wages electronically pursuant to the regulations of the Director; otherwise a report of the wages paid to each of the employer's workers shall be due on or before the last day of the month next following the calendar quarter in which the wages were paid.

Any employer who willfully wilfully fails to pay any contribution or part thereof, based upon wages paid prior to 1987, when required by the provisions of this Act and the regulations of the Director, with intent to defraud the Director, shall in addition to such contribution or part thereof pay to the Department a penalty equal to 50 percent of the amount of such contribution or part thereof, as the case may be, provided that the penalty shall not be less than \$200.

Any employer who willfully fails to pay any contribution or

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1 part thereof, based upon wages paid in 1987 and in each

calendar year thereafter, when required by the provisions of

this Act and the regulations of the Director, with intent to

defraud the Director, shall in addition to such contribution or

5 part thereof pay to the Department a penalty equal to 60% of

6 the amount of such contribution or part thereof, as the case

may be, provided that the penalty shall not be less than \$400.

However, all or part of any penalty may be waived by the Director for good cause shown.

C. With regard to an employer required to report monthly pursuant to this Section, in addition to each employee's name, social security number, and wages for insured work paid during the period, the Director may, by rule, require a report to provide the following information concerning each employee: the employee's occupation, hours worked during the period, hourly wage, if applicable, and work location if the employer has more than one physical location. Notwithstanding any other provision of any other law to the contrary, information obtained pursuant to this subsection shall not be disclosed to any other public official or agency of this State or any other state to the extent it relates to a specifically identified individual or entity or to the extent that the identity of a specific individual or entity may be discerned from such information. The additional data elements required to be reported pursuant to the rule authorized by this subsection may be reported in the same electronic format as in the system

- 1 maintained by the employer or employer's agent and need not be
- 2 reformatted.
- (Source: P.A. 97-689, eff. 6-14-12; 97-791, eff. 1-1-13; 3
- 4 98-463, eff. 8-16-13.)
- 5 (820 ILCS 405/1402.1 new)
- 6 Sec. 1402.1. Processing fee.
- A. The Director may, by rule, establish a processing fee of 7 8 \$50 with regard to a report of contributions due that is not
- 9 required to be submitted electronically if the employer fails
- 10 to submit the report on the form designated by the Director or
- otherwise provide all of the information required by the form 11
- 12 designated by the Director. With respect to the first instance
- 13 of such a failure after the effective date of the rule, the
- 14 Director shall issue the employer a written warning instead of
- a processing fee, and no such processing fee shall be assessed 15
- unless the Director has issued the employer a written warning 16
- 17 for a prior failure.
- 18 B. The Director may, by rule, establish a processing fee of
- 19 \$50 with regard to any payment of contributions, payment in
- lieu of contributions, interest, or penalty that is not made 20
- 21 through electronic funds transfer if the employer fails to
- 22 enclose the payment coupon provided by the Director with its
- payment or otherwise provide all of the information the coupon 23
- 24 would provide, regardless of the amount due. With respect to
- 25 the first instance of such a failure after the effective date

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- 1 of the rule, the Director shall issue the employer a written
- warning instead of a processing fee, and no such processing fee 2
- 3 shall be assessed unless the Director has issued the employer a
- 4 written warning for a prior failure.
- 5 (820 ILCS 405/2101) (from Ch. 48, par. 661)
  - 2101. Special administrative account. Except as provided in Section 2100, all interest and penalties collected pursuant to this Act shall be deposited in the special administrative account. The amount in this account in excess of \$100,000 on the close of business of the last day of each calendar quarter shall be immediately transferred to this State's account in the unemployment trust fund. However, subject to Section 2101.1, such funds shall not be transferred where it is determined by the Director that it is necessary to accumulate funds in the account in order to have sufficient funds to pay interest that may become due under the terms of Section 1202 (b) of the Federal Social Security Act, as amended, upon advances made to the Illinois Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund under Title XII of the Federal Social Security Act or where it is determined by the Director that it is necessary to accumulate funds in the special administrative account in order to have sufficient funds to expend for any other purpose authorized by this Section. The balance of funds in the special administrative account that are in excess of \$100,000 on the first day of each calendar quarter and not

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- 1 transferred to this State's account in the unemployment trust fund, minus the amount reasonably anticipated to be needed to 2 make payments from the special administrative account pursuant 3 4 to subsections C through I, shall be certified by the Director 5 and transferred by the State Comptroller to the Title III Social Security and Employment Fund in the State Treasury 6 within 30 days of the first day of the calendar quarter. The 7 8 Director may certify and the State Comptroller shall transfer 9 such funds to the Title III Social Security and Employment Fund 10 on a more frequent basis. The moneys available in the special 11 administrative account shall be expended upon the direction of the Director whenever it appears to him that such expenditure 12 13 is necessary for:
  - A. 1. The proper administration of this Act and no Federal funds are available for the specific purpose for which such expenditure is to be made, provided the moneys are not substituted for appropriations from Federal funds, which in the absence of such moneys would be available and provided the monies are appropriated by the General Assembly.
  - 2. The proper administration of this Act for which purpose appropriations from Federal funds have been requested but not yet received, provided the special administrative account will receipt of be reimbursed upon the requested Federal appropriation.
- 25 B. To the extent possible, the repayment to the fund 26 established for financing the cost of administration of this

- 1 Act of moneys found by the Secretary of Labor of the United
- States of America, or other appropriate Federal agency, to have 2
- 3 been lost or expended for purposes other than, or in amounts in
- 4 excess of, those found necessary by the Secretary of Labor, or
- 5 other appropriate Federal agency, for the administration of
- this Act. 6
- C. The payment of refunds or adjustments of interest or 7
- 8 penalties, paid pursuant to Sections 901 or 2201.
- 9 D. The payment of interest on refunds of erroneously paid
- 10 contributions, penalties and interest pursuant to Section
- 2201.1. 11
- E. The payment or transfer of interest or penalties to any 12
- Federal or State agency, pursuant to reciprocal arrangements 13
- entered into by the Director under the provisions of Section 14
- 15 2700E.
- 16 F. The payment of any costs incurred, pursuant to Section
- 17 1700.1.
- G. Beginning January 1, 1989, for the payment for the legal 18
- services authorized by subsection B of Section 802, up to 19
- 20 \$1,000,000 per year for the representation of the individual
- claimants and up to \$1,000,000 per year for the representation 21
- 22 of "small employers".
- 23 H. The payment of any fees for collecting past due
- 24 contributions, payments in lieu of contributions, penalties,
- 25 and interest shall be paid (without an appropriation) from
- 26 interest and penalty monies received from collection agents

- 1 that have contracted with the Department under Section 2206 to
- collect such amounts, provided however, that the amount of such 2
- 3 payment shall not exceed the amount of past due interest and
- 4 penalty collected.
- 5 I. The payment of interest that may become due under the
- terms of Section 1202 (b) of the Federal Social Security Act, 6
- as amended, for advances made to the Illinois Unemployment 7
- 8 Insurance Trust Fund.
- 9 The Director shall annually on or before the first day of
- 10 March report in writing to the Employment Security Advisory
- 11 Board concerning the expenditures made from the special
- administrative account and the purposes for which funds are 12
- 13 being accumulated.
- If Federal legislation is enacted which will permit the use 14
- 15 by the Director of some part of the contributions collected or
- 16 to be collected under this Act, for the financing of
- expenditures incurred in the proper administration of this Act, 17
- then, upon the availability of such contributions for such 18
- 19 purpose, the provisions of this Section shall be inoperative
- 20 and interest and penalties collected pursuant to this Act shall
- 21 be deposited in and be deemed a part of the clearing account.
- 22 In the event of the enactment of the foregoing Federal
- 23 legislation, and within 90 days after the date upon which
- 24 contributions become available for expenditure for costs of
- 25 administration, the total amount in the special administrative
- 26 account shall be transferred to the clearing account, and after

- 1 clearance thereof shall be deposited with the Secretary of the
- 2 Treasury of the United States of America to the credit of the
- 3 account of this State in the unemployment trust fund,
- 4 established and maintained pursuant to the Federal Social
- 5 Security Act, as amended.

- (Source: P.A. 94-1083, eff. 1-19-07.) 6
- 7 (820 ILCS 405/2201) (from Ch. 48, par. 681)
- 8 Sec. 2201. Refund or adjustment of contributions. 9 later than 3 years after the date upon which the Director first notifies any contributions, interest or penalties thereon were 10 paid, an employing unit that it which has paid such 11 12 contributions, interest or penalties thereon erroneously, the 13 employing unit may file a claim with the Director for an 14 adjustment thereof in connection with subsequent contribution 15 payments, or for a refund thereof where such adjustment cannot be made; provided, however, that no refund or adjustment shall 16 be made of any contribution, the amount of which has been 17 determined and assessed by the Director, if such contribution 18 19 was paid after the determination and assessment of the Director 20 became final, and provided, further, that any such adjustment 21 or refund, involving contributions with respect to wages on the 22 basis of which benefits have been paid, shall be reduced by the amount of benefits so paid. Upon receipt of a claim the 23 24 Director shall make his determination, either allowing such

claim in whole or in part, or ordering that it be denied, and

1 serve notice upon the claimant of such determination. Such determination of the Director shall be final at the expiration 2 of 20 days from the date of service of such notice unless the 3 4 claimant shall have filed with the Director a written protest 5 and a petition for hearing, specifying his objections thereto. 6 Upon receipt of such petition within the 20 days allowed, the Director shall fix the time and place for a hearing and shall 7 notify the claimant thereof. At any hearing held as herein 8 9 provided, the determination of the Director shall be prima 10 facie correct and the burden shall be upon the protesting 11 employing unit to prove that it is incorrect. All of the provisions of this Act applicable to hearings conducted 12 pursuant to Section 2200 shall be applicable to hearings 13 14 conducted pursuant to this Section. Upon the conclusion of such 15 hearing, a decision shall be made by the Director and notice 16 thereof given to the claimant. If the Director shall decide that the claim be allowed in whole or in part, or if such 17 18 allowance be ordered by the Court pursuant to Section 2205 and the judgment of said Court has become final, the Director 19 20 shall, if practicable, make adjustment without interest in 21 connection with subsequent contribution payments by the 22 claimant, and if adjustments thereof cannot practicably be made 23 in connection with such subsequent contribution payments, then 24 the Director shall refund to the claimant the amount so 25 allowed, without interest except as otherwise provided in 26 Section 2201.1 from moneys in the benefit account established

- 1 by this Act. Nothing herein contained shall prohibit the
- Director from making adjustment or refund upon his own 2
- 3 initiative, within the time allowed for filing claim therefor,
- 4 provided that the Director shall make no refund or adjustment
- 5 of any contribution, the amount of which he has previously
- determined and assessed, if such contribution was paid after 6
- the determination and assessment became final. 7
- 8 If this State should not be certified for any year by the
- 9 Secretary of Labor of the United States of America, or other
- 10 appropriate Federal agency, under Section 3304 of the Federal
- Internal Revenue Code of 1954, the Director shall refund 11
- without interest to any instrumentality of the United States 12
- 13 subject to this Act by virtue of permission granted in an Act
- 14 of Congress, the amount of contributions paid by such
- 15 instrumentality with respect to such year.
- 16 The Director may by regulation provide that, if there is a
- total credit balance of less than \$2 in an employer's account 17
- with respect to contributions, interest, and penalties, the 18
- 19 amount may be disregarded by the Director; once disregarded,
- 20 the amount shall not be considered a credit balance in the
- 2.1 account and shall not be subject to either an adjustment or a
- refund. 22
- (Source: P.A. 90-554, eff. 12-12-97.) 23
- 24 (820 ILCS 405/2201.1) (from Ch. 48, par. 681.1)
- 25 Sec. 2201.1. Interest on Overpaid Contributions, Penalties

1 and Interest. The Director shall semi-annually <del>quarterly</del> 2 furnish each employer with a statement of credit balances in 3 the employer's account where the balances with respect to all 4 contributions, interest and penalties combined equal or exceed 5 \$2. Under regulations prescribed by the Director and subject to the limitations of Section 2201, the employer may file a 6 request for an adjustment or refund of the amount erroneously 7 8 paid. Interest shall be paid on refunds of erroneously paid contributions, penalties and interest imposed by this Act, 9 10 except that if any refund is mailed by the Director within 90 11 days after the date of the refund claim, no interest shall be due or paid. The interest shall begin to accrue as of the date 12 13 of the refund claim and shall be paid at the rate of 1.5% per month computed at the rate of 12/365 of 1.5% for each day or 14 15 fraction thereof. Interest paid pursuant to this Section shall 16 be paid from monies in the special administrative account established by Sections 2100 and 2101. This Section shall apply 17 only to refunds of contributions, penalties and interest which 18 19 were paid as the result of wages paid after January 1, 1988. 20 (Source: P.A. 90-554, eff. 12-12-97.)

- 21 (820 ILCS 405/2401) (from Ch. 48, par. 721)
- 22 (Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 98-107)
- Sec. 2401. Recording and release of lien. A. The lien created by Section 2400 shall be invalid only as to any innocent purchaser for value of stock in trade of any employer

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in the usual course of such employer's business, and shall be invalid as to any innocent purchaser for value of any of the other assets to which such lien has attached, unless notice thereof has been filed by the Director in the office of the recorder of the county within which the property subject to the lien is situated. The Director may, in his discretion, for good cause shown and upon the reimbursement of any recording fees paid by the Director with respect to the lien, issue a certificate of withdrawal of notice of lien filed against any employer, which certificate shall be recorded in the same manner as herein provided for the recording of notice of liens. Such withdrawal of notice of lien shall invalidate such lien as against any person acquiring any of such employer's property or any interest therein, subsequent to the recordation of the withdrawal of notice of lien, but shall not otherwise affect the validity of such lien, nor shall it prevent the Director from re-recording notice of such lien. In the event notice of such lien is re-recorded, such notice shall be effective as against third persons only as of the date of re-recordation.

B. The recorder of each county shall procure at the expense of the county a file labeled "Unemployment Compensation Contribution Lien Notice" and an index book labeled "Unemployment Compensation Contribution Lien Index." When a notice of any such lien is presented to him for filing, he shall file it in numerical order in the file and shall enter it

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alphabetically in the index. The entry shall show the name and last known business address of the employer named in the notice, the serial number of the notice, the date and hour of filing, and the amount of contribution, interest and penalty thereon due and unpaid. When a certificate of complete or partial release of such lien issued by the Director is presented for filing in the office of the recorder where a notice of lien was filed, the recorder shall permanently attach the certificate of release to the notice of lien and shall enter the certificate of release and the date in the Unemployment Compensation Contribution Lien Index on the line where the notice of lien is entered. In case title to land to be affected by the Notice of Lien is registered under the provisions of "An Act Concerning Land Titles", approved May 1, 1897, as amended, such notice shall be filed in the office of the Registrar of Titles of the county within which the property subject to the lien is situated and shall be entered upon the register of titles as a memorial or charge upon each folium of the register of title affected by such notice, and the Director shall not have a preference over the rights of any bona fide purchaser, mortgagee, judgment creditor or other lien holder arising prior to the registration of such notice.

C. The Director shall have the power to issue a certificate of partial release of any part of the property subject to the lien, upon the reimbursement of any recording fees paid by the Director with respect to the lien, if he shall find that the 1 fair market value of that part of such property remaining subject to the lien is at least equal to the amount of all 2

prior liens upon such property plus double the amount of the

liability for contributions, interest and penalties thereon

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- D. Where the amount of or the liability for the payment of any contribution, interest or penalty is contested by any employing unit against whose property a lien has attached, and the determination of the Director with reference to such contribution has not become final, the Director may issue a certificate of release of lien upon the reimbursement of any recording fees paid by the Director with respect to the lien and the furnishing of bond by such employing unit in 125% the amount of the sum of such contribution, interest and penalty, for which lien is claimed, with good and sufficient surety to be approved by the Director conditioned upon the prompt payment of such contribution, together with interest and penalty thereon, by such employing unit to the Director immediately upon the decision of the Director in respect to the liability for such contribution, interest and penalty becoming final.
- E. When a lien obtained pursuant to this Act has been satisfied and upon the reimbursement of any recording fees paid by the Director with respect to the lien, the Department shall issue a release to the person, or his agent, against whom the lien was obtained and such release shall contain in legible letters a statement as follows:

- FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE OWNER, THIS RELEASE SHALL 1
- BE FILED WITH THE RECORDER OR THE REGISTRAR 2
- OF TITLES, IN WHOSE OFFICE, THE LIEN WAS FILED. 3
- 4 F. The Director may, by rule, require, as a condition of
- 5 withdrawing, releasing, or partially releasing a lien recorded
- pursuant to this Section, that the employer reimburse the 6
- Department for any recording fees paid with respect to the 7
- 8 lien.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 98-107, eff. 7-1-14.)
- (820 ILCS 405/2403) (from Ch. 48, par. 723) 10
- Sec. 2403. Enforcement of lien. In addition and as an 11
- 12 alternative to any other remedy provided by law, the Director
- 13 may foreclose the lien created by Section 2400 by petition in
- 14 the name of the People of the State of Illinois to the Circuit
- 15 Court of the county wherein the property subject to the lien is
- situated, in the same manner as provided by law for the 16
- foreclosure of other liens, provided that no hearing or 17
- 18 proceeding provided by this Act for the review of the liability
- 19 for the payment of the sums secured by such lien is pending and
- 20 the time for taking thereof has expired. The process, practice
- 21 and procedure for such foreclosure shall be the same as
- 22 provided in the Civil Practice Law, as amended, except that in
- 23 all such cases, it shall not be necessary that the petition
- describe the property to which the lien has attached. The 24
- 25 employer against whom such petition has been filed shall file

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1 in the proceedings a full and complete schedule, under oath, of 2 all property and rights thereto which he owned at the time the contributions, upon which the lien sought to be foreclosed is 3 4 based, became due, or which he subsequently acquired, and if 5 such employer fails to do so after having been so ordered by 6 the court, he may be punished as in other cases of contempt of 7 court.

The court in any proceeding commenced pursuant to the provisions of this Act may appoint a receiver with power to administer or liquidate the assets subject to the lien, pursuant to the order of the court.

Upon sale of the above stated property, the proceeds shall be applied to the payment of the costs incurred in the proceedings, and the satisfaction of such liens as have attached to the property in the order of their priority; the balance, if any, shall be paid to such parties as the court shall find to be entitled thereto. The Director is hereby empowered to bid at any sale conducted pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

The Director may also enforce the lien created by this Act to the same extent and in the same manner as is provided by the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, as amended, for the enforcement of the lien created by that Act, except that, notwithstanding any provision of that Act to the contrary, the Director may also enforce the lien created by this Act by using designated agents to serve and enforce bank levies. When a bank is served

- 1 with a levy by the Director on the account of an employer, the bank may assert its right to "setoff" its loan to the employer 2 3 only if the bank has declared the employer's loan to be in 4 default prior to the service of the Director's levy and the 5 bank has seized the funds from the employer's account and made them unavailable to the employer prior to the date of such 6 7 service.
- 8 The Director's rights to redemption from a judicial sale or 9 a sale for the enforcement of a judgment, or a judgment 10 satisfying indebtedness secured by a mortgage on, any real 11 estate which is subject to a lien created by this Act, which is inferior to the lien enforced or foreclosed by such sale, or 12 the lien securing the indebtedness satisfied, as the case may 13 be, shall be the same as those of the Department of Revenue 14 15 with reference to the lien created by the Retailers' Occupation 16 Tax Act, and the procedure provided by law for the termination of the rights of redemption by the Department of Revenue shall 17 be applicable to the termination of the rights of redemption of 18 the Director. The statutory notice required to be served upon 19 20 and endorsed by the Director of Revenue by the Retailers' 21 Occupation Tax Act shall be served upon and endorsed by the Director. 22
- (Source: P.A. 88-655, eff. 9-16-94.) 23
- 24 (820 ILCS 405/1704.1 rep.)
- 25 Section 20. The Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by

- 1 repealing Section 1704.1.
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2
- 2014, except that the changes to Sections 2201 and 2201.1 of 3
- the Unemployment Insurance Act take effect January 1, 2015.". 4