

1 AN ACT concerning liens.

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

4 Section 5. The Physicians Lien Act is amended by
5 changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (770 ILCS 80/1) (from Ch. 82, par. 101.1)

7 Sec. 1. Every licensed physician practicing in this State
8 who renders services by way of treatment to injured persons,
9 except services rendered under the provisions of the Workers'
10 Compensation Act or the Workers' Occupational Diseases Act,
11 shall have a lien upon all claims and causes of action for
12 the amount of his reasonable charges up to the date of
13 payment of the such damages.

14 Provided, however, that the total amount of all liens
15 hereunder shall not exceed 1/3 of the sum paid or due to the
16 injured person on the claim or right of action, and provided
17 further, that the lien shall in addition include a notice in
18 writing containing the name and address of the injured
19 person, the date of the injury, the name and address of the
20 licensed physician practicing in this State, and the name of
21 the party alleged to be liable to make compensation to such
22 injured person for the injuries received, which notice shall
23 be served on both the injured person and the party against
24 whom such claim or right of action exists.

25 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, payment
26 in good faith to any person other than the physician claiming
27 or asserting such lien prior to the service of such notice of
28 lien shall, to the extent of the payment so made, bar or
29 prevent the creation of an enforceable lien.

30 Service shall be made by registered or certified mail or
31 in person.

1 (Source: P.A. 81-992.)