

1 AN ACT concerning civil procedure.

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

4 Section 5. The Code of Civil Procedure is amended by
5 changing Section 2-101 as follows:

6 (735 ILCS 5/2-101) (from Ch. 110, par. 2-101)

7 Sec. 2-101. Generally. Except as otherwise provided in
8 this Act, every action must be commenced (1) in the county of
9 residence of any defendant who is joined in good faith and
10 with probable cause for the purpose of obtaining a judgment
11 against him or her and not solely for the purpose of fixing
12 venue in that county, or (2) in the county in which the
13 transaction or some part thereof occurred out of which the
14 cause of action arose.

15 If a check, draft, money order, or other instrument for
16 the payment of child support payable to or delivered to the
17 State Disbursement Unit established under Section 10-26 of
18 the Illinois Public Aid Code is returned by the bank or
19 depository for any reason, venue for the enforcement of any
20 criminal proceedings or civil cause of action for recovery
21 and attorney fees shall be in the county where the principal
22 office of the State Disbursement Unit is located.

23 If all defendants are nonresidents of the State, an
24 action may be commenced in any county.

25 If the corporate limits of a city, village or town extend
26 into more than one county, then the venue of an action or
27 proceeding instituted by that municipality to enforce any
28 fine, imprisonment, penalty or forfeiture for violation of
29 any ordinance of that municipality, regardless of the county
30 in which the violation was committed or occurred, may be in
31 the appropriate court (i) in the county in which wherein the

1 office of the clerk of the municipality is located or (ii) in
2 any county in which at least 35% of the territory within the
3 municipality's corporate limits is located.

4 (Source: P.A. 91-212, eff. 7-20-99.)