

1 AN ACT concerning attorney licenses.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Attorney Discipline for Nonpayment of Taxes Act.

6 Section 5. Intent. It is the intent of the General  
7 Assembly to impose a penalty upon attorneys licensed in  
8 Illinois who fail to fully and timely meet their obligation  
9 to pay taxes owed to the State of Illinois. The General  
10 Assembly authorizes disciplinary action to be taken against  
11 other professionals in Illinois for the nonpayment of taxes.  
12 In an effort to treat the members of each profession in a  
13 like manner, the General Assembly, in this Act, extends this  
14 treatment to attorneys licensed in Illinois.

15 Section 10. Discipline for failing to meet tax  
16 obligations. The Illinois Supreme Court shall direct the  
17 Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose  
18 discipline upon an attorney licensed to practice law in  
19 Illinois for failure to file a return, to pay the tax,  
20 penalty, or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any  
21 final assessment of tax, penalty, or interest, as required by  
22 any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of  
23 Revenue or any successor agency. The discipline shall be  
24 determined by the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary  
25 Commission and shall include disbarment in cases warranting  
26 it.

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