

(b) In any proceeding commenced in any court during the period of being a person in [civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE service or a person suffering injury or damage to enforce such obligation arising out of the nonpayment of any sum thereunder due or out of any other breach of the terms thereof occurring prior to or during the period of being in such category the court may, after hearing, in its discretion, on its own motion, and shall, except as provided in § 25, on application to it by such a person in [civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE service or a person suffering injury or damage or some person on his behalf, unless in the opinion of the court the ability of the defendant to comply with the terms of the obligation is not materially affected by reason of his being in such category --

(1) Stay the proceedings as provided in this subtitle; or

(2) Make such other disposition of the case as may be equitable to conserve the interests of all parties.

(c) No sale under a power of sale or under a judgment entered upon warrant of attorney to confess judgment contained in any such obligation shall be valid if made during the period of being a person in [civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE service or a person suffering injury or damage or within three months thereafter, unless upon an order of sale previously granted by the court and a return thereto made and approved by the court.

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No court shall stay a proceeding to resume possession of a motor vehicle, tractor, or the accessories of either, or for an order of sale thereof, when said motor vehicle, tractor, or accessories are encumbered by a purchase money mortgage, conditional sales contract, or a lease or bailment with a view to purchase, unless the court shall find that 50 per centum or more of the purchase price of said property has been paid, but in any such proceeding the court may, before entering an order or judgment, require the plaintiff to file a bond, approved by the court, conditioned to indemnify the defendant, if a person in [civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE service or a person suffering injury or damage, against any loss or damage that he may suffer by reason of any such judgment or order should the judgment or order be set aside in whole or in part.

26.

(a) The provisions of this section shall apply when any taxes or assessments, whether general or special, falling due during the period of being a person in [civil defense] EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL DEFENSE service or a person suffering injury or damage in respect of real