

1. If the circuit court determines from the State's initial filing that there is probable cause to believe that a default has occurred, the court shall authorize a temporary lien on the property in the amount of the State's claim (plus any additional amount estimated to be necessary to cover the costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the State) or in such other amount as the court determines to be reasonable, pending full determination of the State's claim.

2. If the Secretary of the Board of Public Works records a notice of temporary lien in the land records of the county or Baltimore City in which the facility is located within 10 days of the court's authorization, the temporary lien shall take effect on the date of the court's authorization; otherwise, the temporary lien takes effect on the date a notice of temporary lien is recorded. While the temporary lien is in effect, neither the owner nor any person who acquired an interest in the property after the State first made funds available under this Act may take any action that would affect the title to the property or institute any proceedings to enforce a security interest or other similar rights in the property, without the prior written consent of the State.

3. The owner of the property may obtain release of this temporary lien at any time by filing with the court a bond securing the payment in full of the State's claim and any additional amount necessary to cover the costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the State. The owner may cause the release to be recorded in the land records.

(iv) Proceedings to determine the State's right to recover and the amount of its recovery under this Act shall have priority over other civil proceedings in the circuit courts.

1. At the conclusion of full adversary proceedings on the issue of default and on any disputes over the amount of the State's recovery, the circuit court shall, if it finds that a default had occurred, issue a final judgment for the amount it finds to be recoverable by the State. All parties involved in the default, including in every case the owner of the property, shall be held jointly and severally liable to the State for the amount of the judgment. This amount, if it remains unpaid after the expiration of 30 days following the court's final order, shall be a lien on the property, superior (except as the State may by written subordination agreement provide otherwise) to that of any mortgagee, pledgee, purchaser, or judgment creditor whose lien became perfected against third persons after the State first make funds available under this Act.

2. The lien shall take effect on the 31st day following the court's final order, if the Secretary of the Board of Public Works records a notice of lien in the land records of the county or Baltimore City in which the facility is located on or before the 41st day following the final order; otherwise, the