

(iii) The time the articles of merger are accepted for record by the Department.

(2) In addition to any other provision of law with respect to recording, the Department shall send one [of the certificates] CERTIFICATE of merger EACH to the clerk of the circuit court [of] FOR each county [in the State] where [:

(i) The principal office of a merging limited partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or business trust is located; and

(ii) The] THE articles of merger show that a merging limited partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or business trust other than the successor owns an interest in land.

(3) On receipt of [the] A certificate of merger, [the] A clerk promptly shall record it with [:

(i) The charter records or limited partnership records, if it relates to the location of a principal office; and

(ii) The] THE land records [, if it relates to an interest in land] .

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before July 1, 1993, the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Assessments and Taxation shall agree on the proper disposition of corporate records currently in the custody of the clerks of the circuit courts of this State. This agreement may provide for the transfer of any records to the Department of Assessments and Taxation or the State Archives or for the destruction or other disposition of duplicative records.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the amendments to § 1-206(c) of the Corporations and Associations Article by this Act may not be construed to affect the evidentiary value of any document from the records of a clerk of a circuit court and are made solely to reflect and facilitate the transfer of records under Section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 1993.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1993.

Approved May 11, 1993.