- (4) IF THE CLAIMANT ELECTS TO PROVE THE CLAIM IN THIS STATE; THE CLAIMANT SHALL:
  - (I) FILE THE CLAIM WITH THE ANCILLARY RECEIVER: AND
- (II) GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE DOMICILIARY RECEIVER BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, BEARING A POSTMARK FROM THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, OR BY PERSONAL SERVICE AT LEAST 40 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE SET FOR THE HEARING.
  - (5) THE NOTICE SHALL CONTAIN:
    - (I) A CONCISE STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM;
    - (II) THE FACTS ON WHICH THE CLAIM IS BASED; AND
    - (HI) ANY PRIORITY ASSERTED BY THE CLAIMANT.
- (6) THE DOMICILIARY RECEIVER MAY APPEAR OR BE REPRESENTED IN ANY PROCEEDING IN THIS STATE THAT INVOLVES ADJUDICATION OF THE CLAIM IF, WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE CLAIMANT GIVES THE NOTICE REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION, THE DOMICILIARY RECEIVER GIVES WRITTEN NOTICE OF AN INTENT TO CONTEST THE CLAIM:
  - (I) TO THE ANCILLARY RECEIVER AND TO THE CLAIMANT: AND
- (II) BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, BEARING A
  POSTMARK FROM THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OR BY PERSONAL SERVICE.
- (7) THE FINAL ALLOWANCE OF THE CLAIM BY THE COURTS OF THIS STATE SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS CONCLUSIVE AS TO:
  - (I) THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM: AND
- (II) ANY PRIORITY OF THE CLAIM AGAINST SPECIAL DEPOSITS OR OTHER SECURITY LOCATED IN THIS STATE.

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- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "PREFERRED CLAIM" MEANS A CLAIM THAT IS GIVEN PRIORITY OF PAYMENT FROM THE GENERAL ASSETS OF A CONTINUING CARE PROVIDER UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OR THE UNITED STATES.
- (B) (1) THE FIRST \$500 OF COMPENSATION OR WAGES OWED TO AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF A CONTINUING CARE PROVIDER FOR SERVICES RENDERED WITHIN 3 MONTHS BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF A DELINQUENCY PROCEEDING AGAINST THE CONTINUING CARE PROVIDER SHALL BE PAID BEFORE PAYMENT OF ANY OTHER DEBT OR CLAIM.
- (2) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SECRETARY MAY PAY THE COMPENSATION REQUIRED TO BE PAID UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER COMMENCEMENT OF THE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDING.