

LONGER NEEDED IN CONNECTION WITH A PROSECUTION OR RETENTION OF THE PROPERTY IS NO LONGER RELEVANT TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL:

(I) GIVE NOTICE OF THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL TO THOSE PERSONS ENTITLED TO ITS POSSESSION AND TO THOSE LIENHOLDERS WHOSE NAMES AND ADDRESSES CAN BE ASCERTAINED BY THE EXERCISE OF REASONABLE DILIGENCE; AND

(II) PUBLISH A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY AND THE TIME, PLACE, AND TERMS OF THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN EACH OF TWO SUCCESSIVE WEEKS.

(2) AFTER COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY SELL THE PROPERTY AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

(3) THE TERMS AND MANNER OF SALE MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY RULE.

(F) THE CERTIFICATE OF THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT PERSONAL PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD UNDER THIS SECTION IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF TITLE TO THE PROPERTY FOR ALL PURPOSES, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE OR REGISTRATION FROM AN APPROPRIATE UNIT OF THE STATE.

(G) (1) THE AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:

(I) FIRST, TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE EXPENSE OF SALE AND ALL EXPENSES INCURRED WHILE THE PROPERTY WAS IN THE POSSESSION OF THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY;

(II) SECOND, TO LIENHOLDERS IN ORDER OF THEIR PRIORITY; AND

(III) THIRD, TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS ~~(2), (3), AND (4)~~ (2) AND (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.