



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2017 and 2018

HB2938

by Rep. Peter Breen

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-603

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-603

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that in order to post a speed limit on a highway under its jurisdiction that is less than the limit prescribed in a provision of the Code concerning general speed restrictions, the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall obtain approval from the General Assembly. Provides that the Authority shall not issue a regulation to change the speed limit for vehicles of the second division weighing more than 8,000 pounds that is more than 10 miles per hour less than the maximum speed limit of that highway. Provides that beginning 6 months after the effective date of the bill, and except for vehicles of the second division weighing more than 8,000 pounds, the Authority shall issue a regulation to change the speed limit on any part of a highway under its jurisdiction to the maximum speed limit authorized in the Code for highways under its jurisdiction.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Legislative findings. The General Assembly
5 finds that the maximum speed limits for motor vehicles
6 prescribed in a provision concerning general speed
7 restrictions in the Illinois Vehicle Code are presumed to be
8 reasonable and safe maximum speed limits for all highways under
9 the jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

10 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing
11 Section 11-603 as follows:

12 (625 ILCS 5/11-603) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-603)

13 Sec. 11-603. Alteration of limits by Toll Highway
14 Authority.

15 (a) Whenever the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority
16 determines, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic
17 investigation concerning a toll highway under its
18 jurisdiction, that a maximum speed limit prescribed in Section
19 11-601 of this Chapter is greater or less than is reasonable or
20 safe with respect to conditions found to exist at any place or
21 along any part or zone of such highway, the Authority shall
22 determine and declare by regulation a reasonable and safe

1 absolute maximum speed limit at such place or along such part
2 or zone, and the speed limit shall conform with the maximum
3 speed limit restrictions provided for in Section 11-601 of this
4 Code. A limit so determined and declared becomes effective, and
5 suspends the application of the limit prescribed in Section
6 11-601 of this Chapter, when (a) the Department concurs in
7 writing with the Authority's regulation, ~~and~~ (b) appropriate
8 signs giving notice of the limit are erected at such place or
9 along such part or zone of the highway, and (c) for a decrease
10 in a speed limit, the General Assembly approves the Authority's
11 regulation. The Authority shall not issue a regulation to
12 change the speed limit for vehicles of the second division
13 weighing more than 8,000 pounds that is more than 10 miles per
14 hour less than the maximum speed limit of that highway.
15 Electronic speed-detecting devices shall not be used within 500
16 feet beyond any such sign in the direction of travel; if so
17 used in violation hereof, evidence obtained thereby shall be
18 inadmissible in any prosecution for speeding.

19 (b) Beginning 6 months after the effective date of this
20 amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, and except for
21 vehicles of the second division weighing more than 8,000
22 pounds, the Authority shall issue a regulation to change the
23 speed limit on any part of a highway under its jurisdiction to
24 the maximum speed limits under Section 11-601 of this Code.

25 (Source: P.A. 98-511, eff. 1-1-14.)