



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB0245

by Rep. Michael J. Zalewski

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/1-144.01 new  
625 ILCS 5/11-1412.3 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Defines "mobile carrying device". Provides that a mobile carrying device may be operated on a sidewalk or crosswalk so long as it is operated in accordance with local ordinances, a personal property owner is actively monitoring its operation and navigation, and it is equipped with a braking system that enables it to perform a controlled stop. Prohibits a personal property owner operating a mobile carrying device from failing to comply with traffic or pedestrian control devices and signals, unreasonably interfering with pedestrians or traffic, transporting hazardous materials, or operating on a street or highway other than in a crosswalk. Provides that a mobile carrying device has the rights and obligations applicable to a pedestrian in the same circumstances, except that it shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on a sidewalk or crosswalk. Effective immediately.

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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 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding  
5 Sections 1-144.01 and 11-1412.3 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/1-144.01 new)

7 Sec. 1-144.01. Mobile carrying device.

8 (a) An electrically powered device that:

9 (1) is operated on sidewalks and crosswalks and  
10 intended primarily for transporting personal property;

11 (2) weighs less than 90 pounds, excluding cargo;

12 (3) has a maximum speed of 12.5 miles per hour;

13 (4) is equipped with a technology to transport personal  
14 property with the active monitoring of a property owner;  
15 and

16 (5) is primarily designed to remain within 25 feet of  
17 the personal property owner.

18 (b) A mobile carrying device is not considered a vehicle  
19 unless expressly defined by law as a vehicle.

20 (625 ILCS 5/11-1412.3 new)

21 Sec. 11-1412.3. Ownership and operation of a mobile  
22 carrying device.

1       (a) A mobile carrying device may be operated on a sidewalk  
2 or crosswalk so long as all of the following requirements are  
3 met:

4           (1) the mobile carrying device is operated in  
5 accordance with the local ordinances, if any, established  
6 by the local highway authority governing where the mobile  
7 carrying device is operated;

8           (2) a personal property owner is actively monitoring  
9 the operation and navigation of the mobile carrying device;  
10 and

11           (3) the mobile carrying device is equipped with a  
12 braking system that enables the mobile carrying device to  
13 perform a controlled stop.

14       (b) A personal property owner operating a mobile carrying  
15 device may not allow the mobile carrying device to do any of  
16 the following:

17           (1) fail to comply with traffic or pedestrian control  
18 devices and signals;

19           (2) unreasonably interfere with pedestrians or  
20 traffic;

21           (3) transport hazardous material; or

22           (4) operate on a street or highway, except when  
23 crossing the street or highway within a crosswalk.

24       (c) A mobile carrying device has the rights and obligations  
25 applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances, except  
26 that a mobile carrying device shall yield the right-of-way to a

1 pedestrian on a sidewalk or within a crosswalk.

2 (d) A personal property owner may not operate a mobile  
3 carrying device unless the person complies with this Section.

4 (e) A violation of this Section is a petty offense.

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
6 becoming law.