

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 123

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 123 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
5 adding Section 12-601.1 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-601.1 new)

7 Sec. 12-601.1. Traffic control signal preemption
8 devices.

9 (a) As used in this Section, "traffic control signal
10 preemption device" means any device, either mechanical or
11 electrical, that emits a pulse of light or other signal that,
12 when received by a detector attached to a traffic control
13 signal, changes that traffic control signal to a green light
14 or, if the traffic control signal is already green, extends
15 the duration of the green light.

16 (b) Except as provided in subsection (d), a traffic
17 control signal preemption device may not be installed on a
18 motor vehicle, may not be transported in the passenger
19 compartment of a motor vehicle, and may not be operated by
20 the driver or passenger of a motor vehicle.

21 Violation of this subsection (b) is a Class A
22 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$1,000 in addition to

1 any other penalty that may be imposed.

2 (c) A retailer or manufacturer may not sell a traffic
3 control signal preemption device to any person or entity for
4 any intended use other than operation as permitted under
5 subsection (d).

6 Violation of this subsection (c) is a Class A
7 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$5,000 for each sale of
8 each device, in addition to any other penalty that may be
9 imposed.

10 (d) Installation of a traffic control signal preemption
11 device is permitted on the following vehicles, and operation
12 of the device is permitted as follows:

13 (1) Police department vehicles, when responding to
14 a bona fide emergency, when used in combination with
15 red or blue oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

16 (2) Law enforcement vehicles of State or local
17 authorities, when responding to a bona fide emergency,
18 when used in combination with red oscillating, rotating,
19 or flashing lights.

20 (3) Vehicles of local fire departments and State or
21 federal firefighting vehicles, when responding to a bona
22 fide emergency, when used in combination with red
23 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

24 (4) Vehicles that are designed and used exclusively
25 as ambulances or rescue vehicles, when responding to a
26 bona fide emergency, when used in combination with red
27 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

28 (5) Vehicles that are equipped and used exclusively
29 as organ transport vehicles, when the transportation is
30 declared an emergency by a member of the transplant team
31 or a representative of the organ procurement
32 organization, when used in combination with red
33 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

34 (6) Vehicles of the Illinois Emergency Management

1 Agency and vehicles of the Department of Nuclear Safety,
2 when responding to a bona fide emergency, when used in
3 combination with red oscillating, rotating, or flashing
4 lights.

5 (7) Commuter buses owned by any political
6 subdivision of this State, operated either by the
7 political subdivision or its lessee or agent, and
8 offering short-haul for-hire regularly scheduled
9 passenger transportation service, over regular routes
10 with fixed schedules, within metropolitan and suburban
11 areas, when used to extend the duration of an already
12 green light to meet schedules.

13 (8) Vehicles used for snow removal owned by any
14 political subdivision of this State, operated either by
15 the political subdivision or its lessee or agent, when
16 used during a snow emergency in combination with red,
17 yellow, or amber oscillating, rotating, or flashing
18 lights.

19 (e) This Section does not prohibit use by motorcycles of
20 electronic or magnetic safety devices designed to allow
21 traffic control signal systems to recognize or detect
22 motorcycles.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law."