

HB1349



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HB1349

by Rep. Michael J. Madigan

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-601

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-601

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning speed restrictions.

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A BILL FOR

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 changing
5 Section 11-601 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-601) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-601)
7 Sec. 11-601. General speed restrictions.

8 (a) No vehicle may be driven upon any highway of this State
9 at a speed which is greater than is reasonable and ~~and~~ proper
10 with regard to traffic conditions and the use of the highway,
11 or endangers the safety of any person or property. The fact
12 that the speed of a vehicle does not exceed the applicable
13 maximum speed limit does not relieve the driver from the duty
14 to decrease speed when approaching and crossing an
15 intersection, approaching and going around a curve, when
16 approaching a hill crest, when traveling upon any narrow or
17 winding roadway, or when special hazard exists with respect to
18 pedestrians or other traffic or by reason of weather or highway
19 conditions. Speed must be decreased as may be necessary to
20 avoid colliding with any person or vehicle on or entering the
21 highway in compliance with legal requirements and the duty of
22 all persons to use due care.

23 (a-5) For purposes of this Section, "urban district" does

1 not include any interstate highway as defined by Section
2 1-133.1 of this Code which includes all highways under the
3 jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

4 (b) No person may drive a vehicle upon any highway of this
5 State at a speed which is greater than the applicable statutory
6 maximum speed limit established by paragraphs (c), (d), (e),
7 (f) or (g) of this Section, by Section 11-605 or by a
8 regulation or ordinance made under this Chapter.

9 (c) Unless some other speed restriction is established
10 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit in an urban
11 district for all vehicles is:

- 12 1. 30 miles per hour; and
- 13 2. 15 miles per hour in an alley.

14 (d) Unless some other speed restriction is established
15 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
16 district for any vehicle is (1) 65 miles per hour for all or
17 part of highways that are designated by the Department, have at
18 least 4 lanes of traffic, and have a separation between the
19 roadways moving in opposite directions and (2) 55 miles per
20 hour for all other highways, roads, and streets.

21 (d-1) Unless some other speed restriction is established
22 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
23 district for any vehicle is (1) 70 miles per hour on any
24 interstate highway as defined by Section 1-133.1 of this Code
25 which includes all highways under the jurisdiction of the
26 Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; (2) 65 miles per hour

1 for all or part of highways that are designated by the
2 Department, have at least 4 lanes of traffic, and have a
3 separation between the roadways moving in opposite directions;
4 and (3) 55 miles per hour for all other highways, roads, and
5 streets. The counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Madison,
6 McHenry, St. Clair, and Will may adopt ordinances setting a
7 maximum speed limit on highways, roads, and streets that is
8 lower than the limits established by this Section.

9 (e) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,
10 and Will, unless some lesser speed restriction is established
11 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
12 district for a second division vehicle designed or used for the
13 carrying of a gross weight of 8,001 pounds or more (including
14 the weight of the vehicle and maximum load) is 60 miles per
15 hour on any interstate highway as defined by Section 1-133.1 of
16 this Code and 55 miles per hour on all other highways, roads,
17 and streets.

18 (e-1) (Blank).

19 (f) Unless some other speed restriction is established
20 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
21 district for a bus is:

- 22 1. 65 miles per hour upon any highway which has at
23 least 4 lanes of traffic and of which the roadways for
24 traffic moving in opposite directions are separated by a
25 strip of ground which is not surfaced or suitable for
26 vehicular traffic, except that the maximum speed limit for

1 a bus on all highways, roads, or streets not under the
2 jurisdiction of the Department or the Illinois State Toll
3 Highway Authority is 55 miles per hour;

4 1.5. 70 miles per hour upon any interstate highway as
5 defined by Section 1-133.1 of this Code outside the
6 counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will;
7 and

8 2. 55 miles per hour on any other highway.

9 (g) (Blank).

10 (Source: P.A. 98-511, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1126, eff. 1-1-15;
11 98-1128, eff. 1-1-15; 99-78, eff. 7-20-15.)