



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

### 2021 and 2022

### HB1929

Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Tony McCombie - Jonathan Carroll  
and Paul Jacobs

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/3-808.1  
625 ILCS 5/3-819

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-808.1  
from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-819

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the Secretary of State, at the option of the applicant, shall issue permanent registration plates for a one-time fee of \$118 to the owner of a trailer having a gross weight of 3,000 pounds or less. Provides that a person who has been issued a permanent trailer plate is not required to pay the annual flat weight tax and registration fee. Lowers the annual flat weight tax and registration fee for trailers with a gross weight of 3,000 pounds or less from \$118 to \$18.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

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  
5 changing Sections 3-808.1 and 3-819 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-808.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-808.1)

7 Sec. 3-808.1. Permanent vehicle registration plate.

8 (a) Permanent vehicle registration plates shall be issued,  
9 at no charge, to the following:

10 1. Vehicles, other than medical transport vehicles,  
11 owned and operated by the State of Illinois or by any State  
12 agency financed by funds appropriated by the General  
13 Assembly;

14 2. Special disability plates issued to vehicles owned  
15 and operated by the State of Illinois or by any State  
16 agency financed by funds appropriated by the General  
17 Assembly.

18 (b) Permanent vehicle registration plates shall be issued,  
19 for a one-time fee of \$8.00, to the following:

20 1. Vehicles, other than medical transport vehicles,  
21 operated by or for any county, township or municipal  
22 corporation.

23 2. Vehicles owned by counties, townships or municipal

1 corporations for persons with disabilities.

2 3. Beginning with the 1991 registration year,  
3 county-owned vehicles operated by or for any county  
4 sheriff and designated deputy sheriffs. These registration  
5 plates shall contain the specific county code and unit  
6 number.

7 4. All-terrain vehicles owned by counties, townships,  
8 or municipal corporations and used for law enforcement  
9 purposes when the Manufacturer's Statement of Origin is  
10 accompanied with a letter from the original manufacturer  
11 or a manufacturer's franchised dealer stating that this  
12 all-terrain vehicle has been converted to a street worthy  
13 vehicle that meets the equipment requirements set forth in  
14 Chapter 12 of this Code.

15 5. Beginning with the 2001 registration year,  
16 municipally owned vehicles operated by or for any police  
17 department. These registration plates shall contain the  
18 designation "municipal police" and shall be numbered and  
19 distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

20 6. Beginning with the 2014 registration year,  
21 municipally owned, fire district owned, or Mutual Aid Box  
22 Alarm System (MABAS) owned vehicles operated by or for any  
23 fire department, fire protection district, or MABAS. These  
24 registration plates shall display the designation "Fire  
25 Department" and shall display the specific fire  
26 department, fire district, fire unit, or MABAS division

1 number or letter.

2 7. Beginning with the 2017 registration year, vehicles  
3 that do not require a school bus driver permit under  
4 Section 6-104 to operate and are not registered under  
5 Section 3-617 of this Code, and are owned by a public  
6 school district from grades K-12 or a public community  
7 college.

8 8. Beginning with the 2017 registration year, vehicles  
9 of the first division or vehicles of the second division  
10 weighing not more than 8,000 pounds that are owned by a  
11 medical facility or hospital of a municipality, county, or  
12 township.

13 9. Beginning with the 2020 registration year, 2-axle  
14 motor vehicles that (i) are designed and used as buses in a  
15 public system for transporting more than 10 passengers;  
16 (ii) are used as common carriers in the general  
17 transportation of passengers and not devoted to any  
18 specialized purpose; (iii) operate entirely within the  
19 territorial limits of a single municipality or a single  
20 municipality and contiguous municipalities; and (iv) are  
21 subject to the regulation of the Illinois Commerce  
22 Commission. The owner of a vehicle under this paragraph is  
23 exempt from paying a flat weight tax or a mileage weight  
24 tax under this Code.

25 (b-5) Beginning with the 2016 registration year, permanent  
26 vehicle registration plates shall be issued for a one-time fee

1 of \$8.00 to a county, township, or municipal corporation that  
2 owns or operates vehicles used for the purpose of community  
3 workplace commuting as defined by the Secretary of State by  
4 administrative rule. The design and color of the plates shall  
5 be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary. The  
6 Secretary of State may adopt rules to implement this  
7 subsection (b-5).

8 (b-10) The Secretary, at the option of the applicant,  
9 shall issue permanent registration plates for a one-time fee  
10 of \$118 to the owner of a trailer having a gross weight of  
11 3,000 pounds or less. A person who has been issued a permanent  
12 trailer plate is not required to pay the annual flat weight tax  
13 under Section 3-819 or the registration fee required by  
14 Section 3-813.

15 (c) Beginning with the 2012 registration year,  
16 county-owned vehicles operated by or for any county sheriff  
17 and designated deputy sheriffs that have been issued  
18 registration plates under subsection (b) of this Section shall  
19 be exempt from any fee for the transfer of registration from  
20 one vehicle to another vehicle. Each county sheriff shall  
21 report to the Secretary of State any transfer of registration  
22 plates from one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for  
23 any county sheriff and designated deputy sheriffs. The  
24 Secretary of State shall adopt rules to implement this  
25 subsection (c).

26 (c-5) Beginning with the 2014 registration year,

1 municipally owned, fire district owned, or Mutual Aid Box  
2 Alarm System (MABAS) owned vehicles operated by or for any  
3 fire department, fire protection district, or MABAS that have  
4 been issued registration plates under subsection (b) of this  
5 Section shall be exempt from any fee for the transfer of  
6 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each fire  
7 department, fire protection district, or MABAS shall report to  
8 the Secretary of State any transfer of registration plates  
9 from one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for any fire  
10 department, fire protection district, or MABAS. The Secretary  
11 of State shall adopt rules to implement this subsection.

12 (d) Beginning with the 2013 registration year, municipally  
13 owned vehicles operated by or for any police department that  
14 have been issued registration plates under subsection (b) of  
15 this Section shall be exempt from any fee for the transfer of  
16 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each  
17 municipal police department shall report to the Secretary of  
18 State any transfer of registration plates from one vehicle to  
19 another vehicle operated by or for any municipal police  
20 department. The Secretary of State shall adopt rules to  
21 implement this subsection (d).

22 (e) Beginning with the 2016 registration year, any vehicle  
23 owned or operated by a county, township, or municipal  
24 corporation that has been issued registration plates under  
25 this Section is exempt from any fee for the transfer of  
26 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each county,

1 township, or municipal corporation shall report to the  
2 Secretary of State any transfer of registration plates from  
3 one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for any county,  
4 township, or municipal corporation.

5 (f) Beginning with the 2020 registration year, any vehicle  
6 owned or operated by a public school district from grades  
7 K-12, a public community college, or a medical facility or  
8 hospital of a municipality, county, or township that has been  
9 issued registration plates under this Section is exempt from  
10 any fee for the transfer of registration from one vehicle to  
11 another vehicle. Each school district, public community  
12 college, or medical facility or hospital shall report to the  
13 Secretary any transfer of registration plates from one vehicle  
14 to another vehicle operated by the school district, public  
15 community college, or medical facility.

16 (Source: P.A. 100-956, eff. 1-1-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19.)

17 (625 ILCS 5/3-819) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-819)

18 Sec. 3-819. Trailer; Flat weight tax.

19 (a) Farm Trailer. Any farm trailer drawn by a motor  
20 vehicle of the second division registered under paragraph (a)  
21 or (c) of Section 3-815 and used exclusively by the owner for  
22 his own agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising  
23 operations and not used for hire, or any farm trailer utilized  
24 only in the transportation for-hire of seasonal, fresh,  
25 perishable fruit or vegetables from farm to the point of first

1 processing, and any trailer used with a farm tractor that is  
 2 not an implement of husbandry may be registered under this  
 3 paragraph in lieu of registration under paragraph (b) of this  
 4 Section upon the filing of a proper application and the  
 5 payment of the \$10 registration fee and the highway use tax  
 6 herein for use of the public highways of this State, at the  
 7 following rates which include the \$10 registration fee:

8 SCHEDULE OF FEES AND TAXES

| Gross Weight in Lbs.  | Class | Total Amount |
|-----------------------|-------|--------------|
| Including Vehicle     |       | each         |
| and Maximum Load      |       | Fiscal Year  |
| 10,000 lbs. or less   | VDD   | \$160        |
| 10,001 to 14,000 lbs. | VDE   | 206          |
| 14,001 to 20,000 lbs. | VDG   | 266          |
| 20,001 to 28,000 lbs. | VDJ   | 478          |
| 28,001 to 36,000 lbs. | VDL   | 750          |

17 An owner may only apply for and receive two farm trailer  
 18 registrations.

19 (b) Except as provided in subsection (b-10) of Section  
 20 3-808.1, all ~~All~~ other owners of trailers, other than  
 21 apportionable trailers registered under Section 3-402.1 of  
 22 this Code, used with a motor vehicle on the public highways,  
 23 shall pay to the Secretary of State for each registration year  
 24 a flat weight tax, for the use of the public highways of this  
 25 State, at the following rates (which includes the registration  
 26 fee of \$10 required by Section 3-813):



SCHEDULE OF TRAILER FLAT

WEIGHT TAX REQUIRED

BY LAW

| Gross Weight in Lbs.             | Class | Total Fees                   |
|----------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| Including Vehicle and            |       | each                         |
| Maximum Load                     |       | Fiscal Year                  |
| 3,000 lbs. and less              | TA    | <u>\$18</u> <del>\$118</del> |
| 5,000 lbs. and more than 3,000   | TB    | 154                          |
| 8,000 lbs. and more than 5,000   | TC    | 158                          |
| 10,000 lbs. and more than 8,000  | TD    | 206                          |
| 14,000 lbs. and more than 10,000 | TE    | 270                          |
| 20,000 lbs. and more than 14,000 | TG    | 358                          |
| 32,000 lbs. and more than 20,000 | TK    | 822                          |
| 36,000 lbs. and more than 32,000 | TL    | 1,182                        |
| 40,000 lbs. and more than 36,000 | TN    | 1,602                        |

Of the fees collected under this subsection, other than the fees collected for a Class TA trailer, \$1 of the fees shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special Services Fund and \$99 of the ~~additional~~ fees shall be deposited into the Road Fund.

(c) The number of axles necessary to carry the maximum load provided shall be determined from Chapter 15 of this Code.

(Source: P.A. 101-32, eff. 6-28-19.)