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AN ACT concerning transportation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by 5 changing Section 11-907 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-907) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-907)

Sec. 11-907. Operation of vehicles and streetcars on
approach of authorized emergency vehicles.

9 (a) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency 10 vehicle making use of audible and visual signals meeting the 11 requirements of this Code or a police vehicle properly and 12 lawfully making use of an audible or visual signal:

13 (1) the driver of every other vehicle shall yield the 14 right-of-way and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right-hand 15 16 edge or curb of the highway clear of any intersection and 17 shall, if necessary to permit the safe passage of the emergency vehicle, stop and remain in such position until 18 19 authorized emergency vehicle has passed, unless the otherwise directed by a police officer; and 20

(2) the operator of every streetcar shall immediately
 stop such car clear of any intersection and keep it in such
 position until the authorized emergency vehicle has

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passed, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

2 (b) This Section shall not operate to relieve the driver 3 of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with 4 due regard for the safety of all persons using the highway.

5 (c) Upon approaching a stationary authorized emergency 6 vehicle, when the authorized emergency vehicle is giving a 7 signal by displaying alternately flashing red, red and white, 8 blue, or red and blue lights or amber or yellow warning lights, 9 a person who drives an approaching vehicle shall:

10 (1)proceeding with due caution, vield the 11 right-of-way by making a lane change into a lane not 12 adjacent to that of the authorized emergency vehicle, if possible with due regard to safety and traffic conditions, 13 if on a highway having at least 4 lanes with not less than 14 15 2 lanes proceeding in the same direction as the 16 approaching vehicle; or

17 (2) if changing lanes would be impossible or unsafe, 18 proceeding with due caution, reduce the speed of the 19 vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions and 20 leaving a safe distance until safely past the stationary 21 vehicles.

As used in this subsection (c), "authorized emergency vehicle" includes any vehicle authorized by law to be equipped with oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights under Section 12-215 of this Code, while the owner or operator of the vehicle is engaged in his or her official duties. SB1913 Engrossed - 3 - LRB102 13716 RAM 19066 b

(d) A person who violates subsection (c) of this Section 1 2 commits a business offense punishable by a fine of not less than \$250 or more than \$10,000 for a first violation, and a 3 fine of not less than \$750 or more than \$10,000 for a second or 4 5 subsequent violation. It is a factor in aggravation if the person committed the offense while in violation of Section 6 7 11-501 of this Code. Imposition of the penalties authorized by this subsection (d) for a violation of subsection (c) of this 8 9 Section that results in the death of another person does not 10 preclude imposition of appropriate additional civil or 11 criminal penalties. A person who violates subsection (c) and 12 the violation results in damage to another vehicle commits a 13 Class A misdemeanor. A person who violates subsection (c) and 14 the violation results in the injury or death of another person 15 commits a Class 4 felony.

(e) If a violation of subsection (c) of this Section results in damage to the property of another person, in addition to any other penalty imposed, the person's driving privileges shall be suspended for a fixed period of not less than 90 days and not more than one year.

(f) If a violation of subsection (c) of this Section results in injury to another person, in addition to any other penalty imposed, the person's driving privileges shall be suspended for a fixed period of not less than 180 days and not more than 2 years.

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(g) If a violation of subsection (c) of this Section

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1 results in the death of another person, in addition to any 2 other penalty imposed, the person's driving privileges shall 3 be suspended for 2 years.

4 (h) The Secretary of State shall, upon receiving a record
5 of a judgment entered against a person under subsection (c) of
6 this Section:

7 (1) suspend the person's driving privileges for the8 mandatory period; or

9 (2) extend the period of an existing suspension by the 10 appropriate mandatory period.

11 (i) The Scott's Law Fund shall be a special fund in the 12 State treasury. Subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and approval by the Director, the Director of the 13 14 State Police shall use all moneys in the Scott's Law Fund in 15 the Department's discretion to fund the production of 16 materials to educate drivers on approaching stationary 17 authorized emergency vehicles, to hire off-duty Department of State Police for enforcement of this Section, and for other 18 19 law enforcement purposes the Director deems necessary in these 20 efforts.

(j) For violations of this Section issued by a county or municipal police officer, the assessment shall be deposited into the county's or municipality's Transportation Safety Highway Hire-back Fund. The county shall use the moneys in its Transportation Safety Highway Hire-back Fund to hire off-duty county police officers to monitor construction or maintenance SB1913 Engrossed - 5 - LRB102 13716 RAM 19066 b

1 zones in that county on highways other than interstate highways. The county, in its discretion, may also use a 2 3 portion of the moneys in its Transportation Safety Highway 4 Hire-back Fund to purchase equipment for county law 5 enforcement and fund the production of materials to educate 6 on construction zone safe driving habits drivers and approaching stationary authorized emergency vehicles. 7

8 <u>(k) In addition to other penalties imposed by this</u> 9 <u>Section, the court may order a person convicted of a violation</u> 10 <u>of subsection (c) to perform community service as determined</u> 11 <u>by the court.</u>

12 (Source: P.A. 100-201, eff. 8-18-17; 101-173, eff. 1-1-20.)