

1 AN ACT in relation to highways.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Adopt-A-Highway Act is amended  
5 by changing Sections 10 and 25 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 120/10)

7 Sec. 10. Definitions. For purposes of this Act:

8 "Group" means members or employees of civic or  
9 not-for-profit organizations, and commercial or private  
10 enterprises, who have requested to participate, or are  
11 participating in, an Adopt-A-Highway program.

12 "Litter" means any unsightly or offensive matter that may  
13 include, but is not limited to, disposable packaging,  
14 containers, cans, bottles, paper, ashes, and cigar and  
15 cigarette butts. Litter does not include hazardous, heavy,  
16 large items, or carcasses.

17 "Group coordinator" means the individual selected by a  
18 group to serve as its liaison with a sponsoring jurisdiction.

19 "Group president" means the individual who is the  
20 recognized leader, president, or chairman for a group.

21 "Adopted section" means a length of municipal, township,  
22 county, or State right-of-way identified by the sponsoring  
23 jurisdiction as a safe, adoptable section of right-of-way for  
24 adoption by a group. Sections of rights-of-way may be  
25 determined inappropriate for adoption for safety reasons. ~~No~~  
26 ~~interstate-highway-shall-be-an-adopted-section.~~

27 "Director" means the designee or designees for any  
28 municipality, township, or county who has responsibility for  
29 the administration of a jurisdiction's Adopt-A-Highway  
30 programs.

31 "Sponsoring jurisdiction" means the Illinois Department

1 of Transportation or any municipality, township, or county  
2 that establishes Adopt-A-Highway programs within its  
3 jurisdictional area.

4 (Source: P.A. 89-229, eff. 1-1-96.)

5 (605 ILCS 120/25)

6 Sec. 25. Responsibilities of the group. Groups  
7 participating in an Adopt-A-Highway program shall:

8 (1) be required to obey and abide by all laws and  
9 regulations relating to safety and any other terms and  
10 conditions as required by the sponsoring jurisdiction;

11 (2) provide one adult supervisor for every 5 youths  
12 when persons under age 18 are present on an adopted  
13 section;

14 (3) not allow a person under the age of 10 to be a  
15 member of the group who would be volunteering for the  
16 purpose of litter collection along a right-of-way that is  
17 not an interstate highway;

18 (3.1) not allow a person under the age of 18 to be  
19 a member of the group who would be volunteering for the  
20 purpose of litter collection along an interstate highway;

21 (4) require all group members to attend a safety  
22 meeting conducted by the group before participation in  
23 any litter collection along an adopted section;

24 (5) require the group coordinator, or designee, to  
25 conduct group safety meetings and to receive safety  
26 training as required by the sponsoring jurisdiction;

27 (6) adopt a section for a minimum of 2 years;

28 (7) collect litter along an adopted section 4 times  
29 a year, or as required by the director;

30 (8) require the group coordinator to provide prior  
31 notice, as required by the director, whenever the group  
32 intends to collect litter along its adopted section;

33 (9) require group members to properly wear any

1 safety apparel provided by the sponsoring jurisdiction  
2 while collecting litter on an adopted section;

3 (10) be responsible for prohibiting members from  
4 possessing, consuming, or being under the influence of  
5 alcohol or drugs while on an adopted section;

6 (11) maintain a first-aid kit and an adequate  
7 supply of drinking water while members are collecting  
8 litter along an adopted section;

9 (12) place litter in trashbags provided by the  
10 sponsoring jurisdiction and place filled trashbags at a  
11 location on the adopted section as designated by the  
12 director; and

13 (13) not subcontract or assign its duties or  
14 responsibilities to any other group or organization.

15 (Source: P.A. 87-1118.)