

1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

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 Section 11-907 as follows:

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

7 (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 92-872)

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

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

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

23 (2) the operator of every streetcar shall  
24 immediately stop such car clear of any intersection and  
25 keep it in such position until the authorized emergency  
26 vehicle has passed, unless otherwise directed by a police  
27 officer.

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

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

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

13 (2) proceeding with due caution, reduce the speed  
14 of the vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road  
15 conditions, if changing lanes would be impossible or  
16 unsafe.

17 As used in this subsection (c), "authorized emergency  
18 vehicle" includes any vehicle authorized by law to be  
19 equipped with oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights under  
20 Section 12-215 of this Code, while the owner or operator of  
21 the vehicle is engaged in his or her official duties.

22 (d) A person who violates subsection (c) of this Section  
23 commits a business offense punishable by a fine of not less  
24 than \$100 or more than \$10,000. It is a factor in  
25 aggravation if the person committed the offense while in  
26 violation of Section 11-501 of this Code.

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

32 (f) If a violation of subsection (c) of this Section  
33 results in injury to another person, in addition to any other  
34 penalty imposed, the person's driving privileges shall be

1 suspended for a fixed period of not less than 180 days and  
2 not more than 2 years.

3 (g) If a violation of subsection (c) of this Section  
4 results in the death of another person, in addition to any  
5 other penalty imposed, the person's driving privileges shall  
6 be suspended for 2 years.

7 (h) The Secretary of State shall, upon receiving a  
8 record of a judgment entered against a person under  
9 subsection (c) of this Section:

10 (1) suspend the person's driving privileges for the  
11 mandatory period; or

12 (2) extend the period of an existing suspension by  
13 the appropriate mandatory period.

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21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
22 becoming law.