

1 AN ACT in relation to 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 3-809 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-809) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-809)

7 Sec. 3-809. Farm machinery, exempt vehicles and
8 fertilizer spreaders - registration fee.

9 (a) Vehicles of the second division having a corn
10 sheller, a well driller, hay press, clover huller, feed mixer
11 and unloader, or other farm machinery permanently mounted
12 thereon and used solely for transporting the same, farm wagon
13 type trailers having a fertilizer spreader attachment
14 permanently mounted thereon, having a gross weight of not to
15 exceed 36,000 pounds and used only for the transportation of
16 bulk fertilizer, and farm wagon type tank trailers of not to
17 exceed 3,000 gallons capacity, used during the liquid
18 fertilizer season as field-storage "nurse tanks" supplying
19 the fertilizer to a field applicator and moved on highways
20 only for bringing the fertilizer from a local source of
21 supply to farm or field or from one farm or field to another,
22 or used during the lime season and moved on the highways only
23 for bringing from a local source of supply to farm or field
24 or from one farm or field to another, shall be registered
25 upon the filing of a proper application and the payment of a
26 registration fee of \$13 per 2-year registration period. This
27 registration fee of \$13 shall be paid in full and shall not
28 be reduced even though such registration is made after the
29 beginning of the registration period.

30 (b) Vehicles exempt from registration under the
31 provisions of Section 3-402.A of this Act, as amended, except

1 those vehicles required to be registered under paragraph (c)
2 of this Section, may, at the option of the owner, be
3 identified as exempt vehicles by displaying registration
4 plates issued by the Secretary of State. The owner thereof
5 may apply for such permanent, non-transferable registration
6 plates upon the filing of a proper application and the
7 payment of a registration fee of \$137, ~~and this registration~~
8 ~~shall be valid for a 2-year registration period. This \$13~~
9 ~~fee shall be paid in full and shall not be reduced even~~
10 ~~though the application is made after the beginning of the~~
11 ~~registration period.~~ The application for and display of such
12 registration plates for identification purposes by vehicles
13 exempt from registration shall not be deemed as a waiver or
14 rescission of its exempt status, nor make such vehicle subject
15 to registration.

16 (c) Any single unit self-propelled agricultural
17 fertilizer implement, designed for both on and off road use,
18 equipped with flotation tires and otherwise specially adapted
19 for the application of plant food materials or agricultural
20 chemicals, desiring to be operated upon the highways ladened
21 with load shall be registered upon the filing of a proper
22 application and payment of a registration fee of \$250. The
23 registration fee shall be paid in full and shall not be
24 reduced even though such registration is made during the
25 second half of the registration year. These vehicles shall,
26 whether loaded or unloaded, be limited to a maximum gross
27 weight of 36,000 pounds, restricted to a highway speed of not
28 more than 30 miles per hour and a legal width of not more
29 than 12 feet. Such vehicles shall be limited to the
30 furthering of agricultural or horticultural pursuits and in
31 furtherance of these pursuits, such vehicles may be operated
32 upon the highway, within a 50 mile radius of their point of
33 loading as indicated on the written or printed statement
34 required by the "Illinois Fertilizer Act of 1961", as

1 amended, for the purpose of moving plant food materials or
2 agricultural chemicals to the field, or from field to field,
3 for the sole purpose of application.

4 No single unit self-propelled agricultural fertilizer
5 implement, designed for both on and off road use, equipped
6 with flotation tires and otherwise specially adapted for the
7 application of plant food materials or agricultural
8 chemicals, having a width of more than 12 feet or a gross
9 weight in excess of 36,000 pounds, shall be permitted to
10 operate upon the highways laden with load.

11 Whenever any vehicle is operated in violation of Section
12 3-809 (c) of this Act, the owner or the driver of such
13 vehicle shall be deemed guilty of a petty offense and either
14 may be prosecuted for such violation.

15 (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99; 92-15, eff. 7-1-01.)

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect
17 January 1, 2004.