1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

- Section 5. The Taxi Safety Act of 2007 is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 55/5)
- 7 Sec. 5. Requirements for the operation of taxicabs.
- 8 (a) The taxi driver's picture, the taxi driver's license or 9 registration number, and the taxicab medallion number or an 10 exterior identification number must be posted in a visible
- 11 location in each cab.
- 12 (b) There must be posted in a visible location in each
 13 taxicab a telephone number for a passenger to call if the taxi
 14 driver is operating the taxicab in a reckless manner.
- 15 (c) If a taxi driver collides with a pedestrian while 16 operating a taxicab, resulting in bodily injury, then any 17 responding law enforcement officers must test the taxi driver 18 for drug and alcohol use.
- (d) A taxi driver must meet all of the following minimum
 requirements, as well as any additional requirements imposed by
 a unit of local government:
- 22 <u>(1) The taxi driver must be 21 years of age or older.</u>
- 23 (2) The taxi driver must have a valid driver's license

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issued by any state in the United States.

(3) The taxi driver must have had a valid driver's license during the immediately preceding 3-year period. After becoming a taxi driver, if the taxi driver ceases to have a valid driver's license, the taxi driver must immediately cease operating a taxicab, and the prohibition shall continue until a period of 3 years has elapsed during which the taxi driver has had a valid driver's license.

(4) The taxi driver must not have been convicted of any of the following offenses during the immediately preceding 3-year period: Section 11-401 (leaving the scene of a traffic accident involving death or personal injury), 11-501 (driving under the influence), 11-503 (reckless driving), 11-504 (drag racing), or 11-506 (street racing) of the Illinois Vehicle Code, or Section 9-3 (manslaughter or reckless homicide) or 12-5 (reckless conduct arising from the use of a motor vehicle) of the Criminal Code of 1961. After becoming a taxi driver, if the taxi driver is convicted of any of the offenses specified in this subdivision (4), the taxi driver must immediately cease operating a taxicab, and the prohibition shall continue until a period of 3 years has elapsed during which the taxi driver has not been convicted of any of the offenses specified in this subdivision (4).

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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,

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