

SB0942



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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/5-101

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 5-101

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning new vehicle dealers.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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 changing
5 Section 5-101 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/5-101) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 5-101)

7 Sec. 5-101. New vehicle dealers must be licensed.

8 (a) No person shall engage in this State in the ~~the~~
9 business of selling or dealing in, on consignment or otherwise,
10 new vehicles of any make, or act as an intermediary or agent or
11 broker for any licensed dealer or vehicle purchaser other than
12 as a salesperson, or represent or advertise that he is so
13 engaged or intends to so engage in such business unless
14 licensed to do so in writing by the Secretary of State under
15 the provisions of this Section.

16 (b) An application for a new vehicle dealer's license shall
17 be filed with the Secretary of State, duly verified by oath, on
18 such form as the Secretary of State may by rule or regulation
19 prescribe and shall contain:

20 1. The name and type of business organization of the
21 applicant and his established and additional places of
22 business, if any, in this State.

23 2. If the applicant is a corporation, a list of its

1 officers, directors, and shareholders having a ten percent
2 or greater ownership interest in the corporation, setting
3 forth the residence address of each; if the applicant is a
4 sole proprietorship, a partnership, an unincorporated
5 association, a trust, or any similar form of business
6 organization, the name and residence address of the
7 proprietor or of each partner, member, officer, director,
8 trustee, or manager.

9 3. The make or makes of new vehicles which the
10 applicant will offer for sale at retail in this State.

11 4. The name of each manufacturer or franchised
12 distributor, if any, of new vehicles with whom the
13 applicant has contracted for the sale of such new vehicles.
14 As evidence of this fact, the application shall be
15 accompanied by a signed statement from each such
16 manufacturer or franchised distributor. If the applicant
17 is in the business of offering for sale new conversion
18 vehicles, trucks or vans, except for trucks modified to
19 serve a special purpose which includes but is not limited
20 to the following vehicles: street sweepers, fertilizer
21 spreaders, emergency vehicles, implements of husbandry or
22 maintenance type vehicles, he must furnish evidence of a
23 sales and service agreement from both the chassis
24 manufacturer and second stage manufacturer.

25 5. A statement that the applicant has been approved for
26 registration under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act by the

1 Department of Revenue: Provided that this requirement does
2 not apply to a dealer who is already licensed hereunder
3 with the Secretary of State, and who is merely applying for
4 a renewal of his license. As evidence of this fact, the
5 application shall be accompanied by a certification from
6 the Department of Revenue showing that that Department has
7 approved the applicant for registration under the
8 Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

9 6. A statement that the applicant has complied with the
10 appropriate liability insurance requirement. A Certificate
11 of Insurance in a solvent company authorized to do business
12 in the State of Illinois shall be included with each
13 application covering each location at which he proposes to
14 act as a new vehicle dealer. The policy must provide
15 liability coverage in the minimum amounts of \$100,000 for
16 bodily injury to, or death of, any person, \$300,000 for
17 bodily injury to, or death of, two or more persons in any
18 one accident, and \$50,000 for damage to property. Such
19 policy shall expire not sooner than December 31 of the year
20 for which the license was issued or renewed. The expiration
21 of the insurance policy shall not terminate the liability
22 under the policy arising during the period for which the
23 policy was filed. Trailer and mobile home dealers are
24 exempt from this requirement.

25 If the permitted user has a liability insurance policy
26 that provides automobile liability insurance coverage of

1 at least \$100,000 for bodily injury to or the death of any
2 person, \$300,000 for bodily injury to or the death of any 2
3 or more persons in any one accident, and \$50,000 for damage
4 to property, then the permitted user's insurer shall be the
5 primary insurer and the dealer's insurer shall be the
6 secondary insurer. If the permitted user does not have a
7 liability insurance policy that provides automobile
8 liability insurance coverage of at least \$100,000 for
9 bodily injury to or the death of any person, \$300,000 for
10 bodily injury to or the death of any 2 or more persons in
11 any one accident, and \$50,000 for damage to property, or
12 does not have any insurance at all, then the dealer's
13 insurer shall be the primary insurer and the permitted
14 user's insurer shall be the secondary insurer.

15 When a permitted user is "test driving" a new vehicle
16 dealer's automobile, the new vehicle dealer's insurance
17 shall be primary and the permitted user's insurance shall
18 be secondary.

19 As used in this paragraph 6, a "permitted user" is a
20 person who, with the permission of the new vehicle dealer
21 or an employee of the new vehicle dealer, drives a vehicle
22 owned and held for sale or lease by the new vehicle dealer
23 which the person is considering to purchase or lease, in
24 order to evaluate the performance, reliability, or
25 condition of the vehicle. The term "permitted user" also
26 includes a person who, with the permission of the new

1 vehicle dealer, drives a vehicle owned or held for sale or
2 lease by the new vehicle dealer for loaner purposes while
3 the user's vehicle is being repaired or evaluated.

4 As used in this paragraph 6, "test driving" occurs when
5 a permitted user who, with the permission of the new
6 vehicle dealer or an employee of the new vehicle dealer,
7 drives a vehicle owned and held for sale or lease by a new
8 vehicle dealer that the person is considering to purchase
9 or lease, in order to evaluate the performance,
10 reliability, or condition of the vehicle.

11 As used in this paragraph 6, "loaner purposes" means
12 when a person who, with the permission of the new vehicle
13 dealer, drives a vehicle owned or held for sale or lease by
14 the new vehicle dealer while the user's vehicle is being
15 repaired or evaluated.

16 7. (A) An application for a new motor vehicle dealer's
17 license shall be accompanied by the following license fees:

18 \$1,000 for applicant's established place of
19 business, and \$100 for each additional place of
20 business, if any, to which the application pertains;
21 but if the application is made after June 15 of any
22 year, the license fee shall be \$500 for applicant's
23 established place of business plus \$50 for each
24 additional place of business, if any, to which the
25 application pertains. License fees shall be returnable
26 only in the event that the application is denied by the

1 Secretary of State. All moneys received by the
2 Secretary of State as license fees under paragraph
3 (7) (A) of subsection (b) of this Section prior to
4 applications for the 2004 licensing year shall be
5 deposited into the Motor Vehicle Review Board Fund and
6 shall be used to administer the Motor Vehicle Review
7 Board under the Motor Vehicle Franchise Act. Of the
8 money received by the Secretary of State as license
9 fees under paragraph (7) (A) of subsection (b) of this
10 Section for the 2004 licensing year and thereafter, 10%
11 shall be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Review Board
12 Fund and shall be used to administer the Motor Vehicle
13 Review Board under the Motor Vehicle Franchise Act and
14 90% shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

15 (B) An application for a new vehicle dealer's
16 license, other than for a new motor vehicle dealer's
17 license, shall be accompanied by the following license
18 fees:

19 \$1,000 for applicant's established place of
20 business, and \$50 for each additional place of
21 business, if any, to which the application pertains;
22 but if the application is made after June 15 of any
23 year, the license fee shall be \$500 for applicant's
24 established place of business plus \$25 for each
25 additional place of business, if any, to which the
26 application pertains. License fees shall be returnable

1 only in the event that the application is denied by the
2 Secretary of State. Of the money received by the
3 Secretary of State as license fees under this
4 subsection for the 2004 licensing year and thereafter,
5 95% shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

6 8. A statement that the applicant's officers,
7 directors, shareholders having a 10% or greater ownership
8 interest therein, proprietor, a partner, member, officer,
9 director, trustee, manager or other principals in the
10 business have not committed in the past 3 years any one
11 violation as determined in any civil, criminal or
12 administrative proceedings of any one of the following
13 Acts:

14 (A) The Anti Theft Laws of the Illinois Vehicle
15 Code;

16 (B) The Certificate of Title Laws of the Illinois
17 Vehicle Code;

18 (C) The Offenses against Registration and
19 Certificates of Title Laws of the Illinois Vehicle
20 Code;

21 (D) The Dealers, Transporters, Wreckers and
22 Rebuilders Laws of the Illinois Vehicle Code;

23 (E) Section 21-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961,
24 Criminal Trespass to Vehicles; or

25 (F) The Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

26 9. A statement that the applicant's officers,

1 directors, shareholders having a 10% or greater ownership
2 interest therein, proprietor, partner, member, officer,
3 director, trustee, manager or other principals in the
4 business have not committed in any calendar year 3 or more
5 violations, as determined in any civil, criminal or
6 administrative proceedings, of any one or more of the
7 following Acts:

8 (A) The Consumer Finance Act;

9 (B) The Consumer Installment Loan Act;

10 (C) The Retail Installment Sales Act;

11 (D) The Motor Vehicle Retail Installment Sales
12 Act;

13 (E) The Interest Act;

14 (F) The Illinois Wage Assignment Act;

15 (G) Part 8 of Article XII of the Code of Civil
16 Procedure; or

17 (H) The Consumer Fraud Act.

18 10. A bond or certificate of deposit in the amount of
19 \$20,000 for each location at which the applicant intends to
20 act as a new vehicle dealer. The bond shall be for the term
21 of the license, or its renewal, for which application is
22 made, and shall expire not sooner than December 31 of the
23 year for which the license was issued or renewed. The bond
24 shall run to the People of the State of Illinois, with
25 surety by a bonding or insurance company authorized to do
26 business in this State. It shall be conditioned upon the

1 proper transmittal of all title and registration fees and
2 taxes (excluding taxes under the Retailers' Occupation Tax
3 Act) accepted by the applicant as a new vehicle dealer.

4 11. Such other information concerning the business of
5 the applicant as the Secretary of State may by rule or
6 regulation prescribe.

7 12. A statement that the applicant understands Chapter
8 One through Chapter Five of this Code.

9 (c) Any change which renders no longer accurate any
10 information contained in any application for a new vehicle
11 dealer's license shall be amended within 30 days after the
12 occurrence of such change on such form as the Secretary of
13 State may prescribe by rule or regulation, accompanied by an
14 amendatory fee of \$2.

15 (d) Anything in this Chapter 5 to the contrary
16 notwithstanding no person shall be licensed as a new vehicle
17 dealer unless:

18 1. He is authorized by contract in writing between
19 himself and the manufacturer or franchised distributor of
20 such make of vehicle to so sell the same in this State, and

21 2. Such person shall maintain an established place of
22 business as defined in this Act.

23 (e) The Secretary of State shall, within a reasonable time
24 after receipt, examine an application submitted to him under
25 this Section and unless he makes a determination that the
26 application submitted to him does not conform with the

1 requirements of this Section or that grounds exist for a denial
2 of the application, under Section 5-501 of this Chapter, grant
3 the applicant an original new vehicle dealer's license in
4 writing for his established place of business and a
5 supplemental license in writing for each additional place of
6 business in such form as he may prescribe by rule or regulation
7 which shall include the following:

8 1. The name of the person licensed;

9 2. If a corporation, the name and address of its
10 officers or if a sole proprietorship, a partnership, an
11 unincorporated association or any similar form of business
12 organization, the name and address of the proprietor or of
13 each partner, member, officer, director, trustee or
14 manager;

15 3. In the case of an original license, the established
16 place of business of the licensee;

17 4. In the case of a supplemental license, the
18 established place of business of the licensee and the
19 additional place of business to which such supplemental
20 license pertains;

21 5. The make or makes of new vehicles which the licensee
22 is licensed to sell.

23 (f) The appropriate instrument evidencing the license or a
24 certified copy thereof, provided by the Secretary of State,
25 shall be kept posted conspicuously in the established place of
26 business of the licensee and in each additional place of

1 business, if any, maintained by such licensee.

2 (g) Except as provided in subsection (h) hereof, all new
3 vehicle dealer's licenses granted under this Section shall
4 expire by operation of law on December 31 of the calendar year
5 for which they are granted unless sooner revoked or cancelled
6 under the provisions of Section 5-501 of this Chapter.

7 (h) A new vehicle dealer's license may be renewed upon
8 application and payment of the fee required herein, and
9 submission of proof of coverage under an approved bond under
10 the "Retailers' Occupation Tax Act" or proof that applicant is
11 not subject to such bonding requirements, as in the case of an
12 original license, but in case an application for the renewal of
13 an effective license is made during the month of December, the
14 effective license shall remain in force until the application
15 is granted or denied by the Secretary of State.

16 (i) All persons licensed as a new vehicle dealer are
17 required to furnish each purchaser of a motor vehicle:

18 1. In the case of a new vehicle a manufacturer's
19 statement of origin and in the case of a used motor vehicle
20 a certificate of title, in either case properly assigned to
21 the purchaser;

22 2. A statement verified under oath that all identifying
23 numbers on the vehicle agree with those on the certificate
24 of title or manufacturer's statement of origin;

25 3. A bill of sale properly executed on behalf of such
26 person;

1 4. A copy of the Uniform Invoice-transaction reporting
2 return referred to in Section 5-402 hereof;

3 5. In the case of a rebuilt vehicle, a copy of the
4 Disclosure of Rebuilt Vehicle Status; and

5 6. In the case of a vehicle for which the warranty has
6 been reinstated, a copy of the warranty.

7 (j) Except at the time of sale or repossession of the
8 vehicle, no person licensed as a new vehicle dealer may issue
9 any other person a newly created key to a vehicle unless the
10 new vehicle dealer makes a copy of the driver's license or
11 State identification card of the person requesting or obtaining
12 the newly created key. The new vehicle dealer must retain the
13 copy for 30 days.

14 A new vehicle dealer who violates this subsection (j) is
15 guilty of a petty offense. Violation of this subsection (j) is
16 not cause to suspend, revoke, cancel, or deny renewal of the
17 new vehicle dealer's license.

18 This amendatory Act of 1983 shall be applicable to the 1984
19 registration year and thereafter.

20 (Source: P.A. 92-391, eff. 8-16-01; 92-835, eff. 6-1-03; 93-32,
21 eff. 7-1-03.)