

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 11-1420 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1420) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1420)

7 Sec. 11-1420. Funeral processions.

8 (a) Funeral processions have the right-of-way at
9 intersections when vehicles comprising such procession have
10 their headlights and hazard lights lighted, subject to the
11 following conditions and exceptions:

12 1. Operators of vehicles in a funeral procession shall
13 yield the right-of-way upon the approach of an authorized
14 emergency vehicle giving an audible or visible signal;

15 2. Operators of vehicles in a funeral procession shall
16 yield the right-of-way when directed to do so by a traffic
17 officer;

18 3. The operator of the leading vehicle in a funeral
19 procession shall comply with stop signs and traffic control
20 signals but when the leading vehicle has proceeded across
21 an intersection in accordance with such signal or after
22 stopping as required by the stop sign, all vehicles in such
23 procession may proceed without stopping, regardless of the

1 sign or signal and the leading vehicle and the vehicles in
2 procession shall proceed with due caution.

3 (b) The operator of a vehicle not in the funeral procession
4 shall not drive his vehicle in the funeral procession except
5 when authorized to do so by a traffic officer or when such
6 vehicle is an authorized emergency vehicle giving audible or
7 visible signal.

8 (c) Operators of vehicles not a part of a funeral
9 procession may not form a procession or convoy and have their
10 headlights or hazard lights or both lighted for the purpose of
11 securing the right-of-way granted by this Section to funeral
12 processions.

13 (d) The operator of a vehicle not in a funeral procession
14 may overtake and pass the vehicles in such procession if such
15 overtaking and passing can be accomplished without causing a
16 traffic hazard or interfering with such procession.

17 (e) The lead vehicle in the funeral procession may be
18 equipped with a flashing amber light which may be used only
19 when such vehicle is used as a lead vehicle in such procession.
20 Vehicles comprising a funeral procession may utilize funeral
21 pennants or flags or windshield stickers or flashing hazard
22 warning signal flashers to identify the individual vehicles in
23 such a procession.

24 (f) In the absence of law enforcement traffic control
25 assistance for a funeral procession, a funeral director or his
26 or her designee may direct traffic during a funeral procession.

1 (Source: P.A. 90-58, eff. 1-1-98.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
3 becoming law.