



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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**HB3168**

Introduced 2/24/2011, by Rep. Rich Brauer

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-801

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-801

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that where a marked flush median of sufficient width divides one or more lanes of traffic driving in opposite directions, a left turn shall not be made from any other lane and that a vehicle shall not be driven in the marked flush median except when preparing for or making a left turn from or into the roadway, driveway, or alley or when preparing for or making a U turn when otherwise permitted by law. Effective immediately.

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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 11-801 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-801) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-801)

7 Sec. 11-801. Required position and method of turning. (a)  
8 The driver of a vehicle intending to turn at an intersection  
9 shall do so as follows:

10 (1) Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn  
11 shall be made as close as practical to the right-hand curb or  
12 edge of the roadway.

13 (2) The driver of a vehicle intending to turn left at any  
14 intersection shall approach the intersection in the extreme  
15 left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the  
16 direction of travel of such vehicle, and after entering the  
17 intersection, the left turn shall be made so as to leave the  
18 intersection in a lane lawfully available to traffic moving in  
19 such direction upon the roadway being entered. Whenever  
20 practicable the left turn shall be made in that portion of the  
21 intersection to the left of the center of the intersection.

22 (3) The Department and local authorities in their  
23 respective jurisdictions may cause official traffic control

1 devices to be placed within or adjacent to intersections and  
2 thereby require and direct that a different course from that  
3 specified in this Section be traveled by vehicles turning at an  
4 intersection, and when such devices are so placed no driver of  
5 a vehicle shall turn a vehicle at an intersection other than as  
6 directed and required by such devices.

7 (b) Two-way left turn lanes. Where a special lane for  
8 making left turns by drivers proceeding in opposite directions  
9 has been indicated by official traffic-control devices:

10 (1) A left turn shall not be made from any other lane.

11 (2) A vehicle shall not be driven in the lane except when  
12 preparing for or making a left turn from or into the roadway or  
13 when preparing for or making a U turn when otherwise permitted  
14 by law.

15 (b-5) Marked flush medians. Where a marked flush median of  
16 sufficient width divides one or more lanes of traffic driving  
17 in opposite directions:

18 (1) A left turn shall not be made from any other lane.

19 (2) A vehicle shall not be driven in the marked flush  
20 median except when preparing for or making a left turn from or  
21 into the roadway, driveway, or alley or when preparing for or  
22 making a U turn when otherwise permitted by law.

23 (c) When a motor vehicle and a mass transit bus are  
24 traveling in the same direction on the same multi-laned  
25 highway, street or road, the operator of the motor vehicle  
26 overtaking such bus, which is stopped at an intersection on the

1 right side of the roadway to receive or discharge passengers,  
2 shall pass to the left of the bus at a safe distance and shall  
3 not turn to the right in front of the bus at that intersection.

4 (Source: P.A. 85-786.)

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
6 becoming law.