

# HB1256



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HB1256

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-306

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-306

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires vehicles facing a flashing yellow arrow indication to proceed only as indicated by the arrow and to yield the right of way to other vehicles and pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk. Permits pedestrians facing a flashing yellow arrow indication to proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk unless otherwise directed by pedestrian control signals.

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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 11-306 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-306) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-306)

7 Sec. 11-306. Traffic-control signal legend. Whenever  
8 traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting  
9 different colored lights or color lighted arrows, successively  
10 one at a time or in combination, only the colors green, red and  
11 yellow shall be used, except for special pedestrian signals  
12 carrying a word legend, and the lights shall indicate and apply  
13 to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

14 (a) Green indication.

15 1. Vehicular traffic facing a circular green signal may  
16 proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a  
17 sign at such place prohibits either such turn. Vehicular  
18 traffic, including vehicles turning right or left, shall  
19 yield the right of way to other vehicles and to pedestrians  
20 lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk  
21 at the time such signal is exhibited.

22 2. Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown  
23 alone or in combination with another indication, may

1 cautiously enter the intersection only to make the movement  
2 indicated by such arrow, or such other movement as is  
3 permitted by other indications shown at the same time. Such  
4 vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to  
5 pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to  
6 other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

7 3. Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control  
8 signal, as provided in Section 11-307, pedestrians facing  
9 any green signal, except when the sole green signal is a  
10 turn arrow, may proceed across the roadway within any  
11 marked or unmarked crosswalk.

12 (b) Steady yellow indication.

13 1. Vehicular traffic facing a steady circular yellow or  
14 yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related  
15 green movement is being terminated or that a red indication  
16 will be exhibited immediately thereafter.

17 2. Pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or  
18 yellow arrow signal, unless otherwise directed by a  
19 pedestrian-control signal as provided in Section 11-307,  
20 are thereby advised that there is insufficient time to  
21 cross the roadway before a red indication is shown and no  
22 pedestrian shall then start to cross the roadway.

23 (b-5) Flashing yellow arrow indication.

24 1. Vehicular traffic facing a flashing yellow arrow  
25 indication may cautiously enter the intersection only to  
26 make the movement indicated by the arrow and shall yield

1       the right of way to other vehicles and pedestrians lawfully  
2       within the intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the  
3       time the signal is exhibited.

4           2. Pedestrians facing a flashing yellow arrow  
5       indication, unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian  
6       control signal as provided in Section 11-307, may proceed  
7       across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

8       (c) Steady red indication.

9           1. Except as provided in paragraphs 3 and 3.5 of this  
10       subsection (c), vehicular traffic facing a steady circular  
11       red signal alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line,  
12       but if there is no such stop line, before entering the  
13       crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or if there  
14       is no such crosswalk, then before entering the  
15       intersection, and shall remain standing until an  
16       indication to proceed is shown.

17           2. Except as provided in paragraphs 3 and 3.5 of this  
18       subsection (c), vehicular traffic facing a steady red arrow  
19       signal shall not enter the intersection to make the  
20       movement indicated by the arrow and, unless entering the  
21       intersection to make a movement permitted by another  
22       signal, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if  
23       there is no such stop line, before entering the crosswalk  
24       on the near side of the intersection, or if there is no  
25       such crosswalk, then before entering the intersection, and  
26       shall remain standing until an indication permitting the

1 movement indicated by such red arrow is shown.

2 3. Except when a sign is in place prohibiting a turn  
3 and local authorities by ordinance or State authorities by  
4 rule or regulation prohibit any such turn, vehicular  
5 traffic facing any steady red signal may cautiously enter  
6 the intersection to turn right, or to turn left from a  
7 one-way street into a one-way street, after stopping as  
8 required by paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 of this subsection.  
9 After stopping, the driver shall yield the right of way to  
10 any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another  
11 roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard  
12 during the time such driver is moving across or within the  
13 intersection or junction or roadways. Such driver shall  
14 yield the right of way to pedestrians within the  
15 intersection or an adjacent crosswalk.

16 3.5. In municipalities with less than 2,000,000  
17 inhabitants, after stopping as required by paragraph 1 or 2  
18 of this subsection, the driver of a motorcycle or bicycle,  
19 facing a steady red signal which fails to change to a green  
20 signal within a reasonable period of time not less than 120  
21 seconds because of a signal malfunction or because the  
22 signal has failed to detect the arrival of the motorcycle  
23 or bicycle due to the vehicle's size or weight, shall have  
24 the right to proceed, after yielding the right of way to  
25 oncoming traffic facing a green signal, subject to the  
26 rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign as

1 required by Section 11-1204 of this Code.

2 4. Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control  
3 signal as provided in Section 11-307, pedestrians facing a  
4 steady circular red or red arrow signal alone shall not  
5 enter the roadway.

6 (d) In the event an official traffic control signal is  
7 erected and maintained at a place other than an intersection,  
8 the provisions of this Section shall be applicable except as to  
9 provisions which by their nature can have no application. Any  
10 stop required shall be at a traffic sign or a marking on the  
11 pavement indicating where the stop shall be made or, in the  
12 absence of such sign or marking, the stop shall be made at the  
13 signal.

14 (e) The motorman of any streetcar shall obey the above  
15 signals as applicable to vehicles.

16 (Source: P.A. 97-627, eff. 1-1-12; 97-762, eff. 7-6-12.)