

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB4562

by Rep. John D'Amico

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/6-103 625 ILCS 5/6-107.5 625 ILCS 5/6-401 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-103

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-401

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that persons at least 18 years of age but less than 21 years of age do not have to complete an adult driver education course if they complete the classroom portion of an approved driver education course. Provides that persons who hold a driver's license prior to July 1, 2014 may retain that license without completing an adult driver education course. Provides that persons who hold an instruction permit prior to July 1, 2014 may retain the instruction permit and are eligible to receive a driver's license without completing an adult driver education course. Provides that on or after July 1, 2014, persons may receive and retain an instruction permit prior to completing an adult driver education course, but must complete the course before being issued a driver's license. Provides that the Secretary of State is not required to post the fees charged by approved adult driver education course providers on the Secretary's website, but that the Secretary shall include each course provider's website among that course provider's contact information. Requires adult driver education course providers to state all fees charged by the course provider on its website. Provides that entities providing adult driver education courses solely via the Internet do not need to acquire an instructor's license from the Secretary of State. Provides that any person found guilty of operating a driver training school without a license shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor with a minimum fine of \$1,000 for a first offense, and a Class 4 felony with a minimum fine of \$2,500 for a second offense. Effective July 1, 2014.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Sections 6-103, 6-107.5, and 6-401 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/6-103) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-103)

(Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 98-167)

Sec. 6-103. What persons shall not be licensed as drivers or granted permits. The Secretary of State shall not issue, renew, or allow the retention of any driver's license nor issue any permit under this Code:

1. To any person, as a driver, who is under the age of 18 years except as provided in Section 6-107, and except that an instruction permit may be issued under Section 6-107.1 to a child who is not less than 15 years of age if the child is enrolled in an approved driver education course as defined in Section 1-103 of this Code and requires an instruction permit to participate therein, except that an instruction permit may be issued under the provisions of Section 6-107.1 to a child who is 17 years and 3 months of age without the child having enrolled in an approved driver education course and except that an instruction permit may be issued to a child who is at least

15 years and 3 months of age, is enrolled in school, meets the educational requirements of the Driver Education Act, and has passed examinations the Secretary of State in his or her discretion may prescribe;

- 2. To any person who is under the age of 18 as an operator of a motorcycle other than a motor driven cycle unless the person has, in addition to meeting the provisions of Section 6-107 of this Code, successfully completed a motorcycle training course approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation and successfully completes the required Secretary of State's motorcycle driver's examination;
- 3. To any person, as a driver, whose driver's license or permit has been suspended, during the suspension, nor to any person whose driver's license or permit has been revoked, except as provided in Sections 6-205, 6-206, and 6-208;
- 4. To any person, as a driver, who is a user of alcohol or any other drug to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving a motor vehicle;
- 5. To any person, as a driver, who has previously been adjudged to be afflicted with or suffering from any mental or physical disability or disease and who has not at the time of application been restored to competency by the methods provided by law;
 - 6. To any person, as a driver, who is required by the

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Secretary of State to submit an alcohol and drug evaluation or take an examination provided for in this Code unless the person has successfully passed the examination and submitted any required evaluation;

- 7. To any person who is required under the provisions of the laws of this State to deposit security or proof of financial responsibility and who has not deposited the security or proof;
- 8. To any person when the Secretary of State has good cause to believe that the person by reason of physical or mental disability would not be able to safely operate a motor vehicle upon the highways, unless the person shall furnish to the Secretary of State a verified written statement, acceptable to the Secretary of State, from a specialist, competent medical a licensed physician assistant who has been delegated the performance of medical examinations by his or her supervising physician, or a licensed advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician him which authorizes or her to perform medical examinations, to the effect that the operation of a motor vehicle by the person would not be inimical to the public safety;
- 9. To any person, as a driver, who is 69 years of age or older, unless the person has successfully complied with the provisions of Section 6-109;

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- 10. To any person convicted, within 12 months of application for a license, of any of the sexual offenses enumerated in paragraph 2 of subsection (b) of Section 6-205;
 - 11. To any person who is under the age of 21 years with a classification prohibited in paragraph (b) of Section 6-104 and to any person who is under the age of 18 years with a classification prohibited in paragraph (c) of Section 6-104;
- 12. To any person who has been either convicted of or adjudicated under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 based upon a violation of the Cannabis Control Act, the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act while that person was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle. For purposes of this Section, any person placed on probation under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Act, Section 70 Controlled Substances or $\circ f$ the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act shall not be considered convicted. Any person found guilty of this offense, while in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, shall have an entry made in the court record by the judge that this offense did occur while the person was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle and order the clerk of the court to report the violation to the Secretary of State as such. The Secretary of State shall not issue a

new license or permit for a period of one year;

- 13. To any person who is under the age of 18 years and who has committed the offense of operating a motor vehicle without a valid license or permit in violation of Section 6-101 or a similar out of state offense;
- 14. To any person who is 90 days or more delinquent in court ordered child support payments or has been adjudicated in arrears in an amount equal to 90 days' obligation or more and who has been found in contempt of court for failure to pay the support, subject to the requirements and procedures of Article VII of Chapter 7 of the Illinois Vehicle Code;
- 14.5. To any person certified by the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services as being 90 days or more delinquent in payment of support under an order of support entered by a court or administrative body of this or any other State, subject to the requirements and procedures of Article VII of Chapter 7 of this Code regarding those certifications;
- 15. To any person released from a term of imprisonment for violating Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a law of another state relating to reckless homicide or for violating subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of this Code relating to aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or

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drugs, intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof, if the violation was the proximate cause of a death, within 24 months of release from a term of imprisonment;

- 16. To any person who, with intent to influence any act related to the issuance of any driver's license or permit, by an employee of the Secretary of State's Office, or the owner or employee of any commercial driver training school licensed by the Secretary of State, or any other individual authorized by the laws of this State to give driving instructions or administer all or part of a driver's license examination, promises or tenders to that person any property or personal advantage which that person is not authorized by law to accept. Any persons promising or tendering such property or personal advantage shall be disqualified from holding any class of driver's license or permit for 120 consecutive days. The Secretary of State shall establish by rule the procedures for implementing this period of disqualification and the procedures by which persons so disqualified may obtain administrative review of the decision to disqualify;
- 17. To any person for whom the Secretary of State cannot verify the accuracy of any information or documentation submitted in application for a driver's license; or
 - 18. To any person who has been adjudicated under the

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Juvenile Court Act of 1987 based upon an offense that is
determined by the court to have been committed in
furtherance of the criminal activities of an organized
gang, as provided in Section 5-710 of that Act, and that
involved the operation or use of a motor vehicle or the use
of a driver's license or permit. The person shall be denied
a license or permit for the period determined by the court.

The Secretary of State shall retain all conviction information, if the information is required to be held confidential under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

- 11 (Source: P.A. 96-607, eff. 8-24-09; 96-740, eff. 1-1-10;
- 12 96-962, eff. 7-2-10; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 97-185, eff.
- 13 7-22-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.)
- 14 (Text of Section after amendment by P.A. 98-167)
- Sec. 6-103. What persons shall not be licensed as drivers or granted permits. The Secretary of State shall not issue, renew, or allow the retention of any driver's license nor issue any permit under this Code:
 - 1. To any person, as a driver, who is under the age of 18 years except as provided in Section 6-107, and except that an instruction permit may be issued under Section 6-107.1 to a child who is not less than 15 years of age if the child is enrolled in an approved driver education course as defined in Section 1-103 of this Code and requires an instruction permit to participate therein,

except that an instruction permit may be issued under the provisions of Section 6-107.1 to a child who is 17 years and 3 months of age without the child having enrolled in an approved driver education course and except that an instruction permit may be issued to a child who is at least 15 years and 3 months of age, is enrolled in school, meets the educational requirements of the Driver Education Act, and has passed examinations the Secretary of State in his

1.5. To any person at least 18 years of age but less than 21 years of age unless the person has, in addition to any other requirements of this Code, successfully completed an adult driver education course as provided in Section 6-107.5 of this Code or successfully completed the classroom portion of an approved driver education course, except that: -

or her discretion may prescribe;

- (A) a person who holds a driver's license issued prior to July 1, 2014 shall be eliqible to retain the license without the completion of an adult driver education course;
- (B) a person who holds an instruction permit issued prior to July 1, 2014 shall be eligible to retain the instruction permit without the completion of an adult driver education course;
- (C) a person who holds an instruction permit issued prior to July 1, 2014 shall be eligible for the

issuance of a driver's license without the completion of an adult driver education course; and

- (D) a person may be issued and may retain an instruction permit on or after July 1, 2014 prior to the completion of the adult driver education course, if the person completes the course prior to the issuance of a driver's license.
- 2. To any person who is under the age of 18 as an operator of a motorcycle other than a motor driven cycle unless the person has, in addition to meeting the provisions of Section 6-107 of this Code, successfully completed a motorcycle training course approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation and successfully completes the required Secretary of State's motorcycle driver's examination;
- 3. To any person, as a driver, whose driver's license or permit has been suspended, during the suspension, nor to any person whose driver's license or permit has been revoked, except as provided in Sections 6-205, 6-206, and 6-208;
- 4. To any person, as a driver, who is a user of alcohol or any other drug to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving a motor vehicle;
- 5. To any person, as a driver, who has previously been adjudged to be afflicted with or suffering from any mental or physical disability or disease and who has not at the

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time of application been restored to competency by the methods provided by law;

- 6. To any person, as a driver, who is required by the Secretary of State to submit an alcohol and drug evaluation or take an examination provided for in this Code unless the person has successfully passed the examination and submitted any required evaluation;
- 7. To any person who is required under the provisions of the laws of this State to deposit security or proof of financial responsibility and who has not deposited the security or proof;
- 8. To any person when the Secretary of State has good cause to believe that the person by reason of physical or mental disability would not be able to safely operate a motor vehicle upon the highways, unless the person shall furnish to the Secretary of State a verified written statement, acceptable to the Secretary of State, from a specialist, a competent medical licensed physician assistant who has been delegated the performance of medical examinations by his or her supervising physician, or a licensed advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician authorizes him perform which or her to examinations, to the effect that the operation of a motor vehicle by the person would not be inimical to the public safety;

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- 9. To any person, as a driver, who is 69 years of age or older, unless the person has successfully complied with the provisions of Section 6-109;
 - 10. To any person convicted, within 12 months of application for a license, of any of the sexual offenses enumerated in paragraph 2 of subsection (b) of Section 6-205;
 - 11. To any person who is under the age of 21 years with a classification prohibited in paragraph (b) of Section 6-104 and to any person who is under the age of 18 years with a classification prohibited in paragraph (c) of Section 6-104;
 - 12. To any person who has been either convicted of or adjudicated under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 based upon a violation of the Cannabis Control Act, the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act while that person was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle. For purposes of this Section, any person placed on probation under Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or Section 70 of the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act shall not be considered convicted. Any person found guilty of this offense, while in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, shall have an entry made in the court record by the judge that this offense did occur while the person was

in actual physical control of a motor vehicle and order the clerk of the court to report the violation to the Secretary of State as such. The Secretary of State shall not issue a new license or permit for a period of one year;

- 13. To any person who is under the age of 18 years and who has committed the offense of operating a motor vehicle without a valid license or permit in violation of Section 6-101 or a similar out of state offense;
- 14. To any person who is 90 days or more delinquent in court ordered child support payments or has been adjudicated in arrears in an amount equal to 90 days' obligation or more and who has been found in contempt of court for failure to pay the support, subject to the requirements and procedures of Article VII of Chapter 7 of the Illinois Vehicle Code;
- 14.5. To any person certified by the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services as being 90 days or more delinquent in payment of support under an order of support entered by a court or administrative body of this or any other State, subject to the requirements and procedures of Article VII of Chapter 7 of this Code regarding those certifications;
- 15. To any person released from a term of imprisonment for violating Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or a similar provision of a law of another state relating to reckless homicide or for

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violating subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 11-501 of this Code relating to aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof, if the violation was the proximate cause of a death, within 24 months of release from a term of imprisonment;

16. To any person who, with intent to influence any act related to the issuance of any driver's license or permit, by an employee of the Secretary of State's Office, or the owner or employee of any commercial driver training school licensed by the Secretary of State, or any other individual authorized by the laws of this State to give driving instructions or administer all or part of a driver's license examination, promises or tenders to that person any property or personal advantage which that person is not authorized by law to accept. Any persons promising or tendering such property or personal advantage shall be disqualified from holding any class of driver's license or permit for 120 consecutive days. The Secretary of State shall establish by rule the procedures for implementing this period of disqualification and the procedures by which persons so disqualified may obtain administrative review of the decision to disqualify;

17. To any person for whom the Secretary of State cannot verify the accuracy of any information or

- documentation submitted in application for a driver's license; or
- 3 18. To any person who has been adjudicated under the
 4 Juvenile Court Act of 1987 based upon an offense that is
 5 determined by the court to have been committed in
 6 furtherance of the criminal activities of an organized
 7 gang, as provided in Section 5-710 of that Act, and that
 8 involved the operation or use of a motor vehicle or the use
 9 of a driver's license or permit. The person shall be denied
 10 a license or permit for the period determined by the court.
- 11 The Secretary of State shall retain all conviction 12 information, if the information is required to be held 13 confidential under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 97-185, eff. 7-22-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13;
- 15 98-167, eff. 7-1-14; revised 9-18-13.)
- 16 (625 ILCS 5/6-107.5)
- 17 (This Section may contain text from a Public Act with a delayed effective date)
- 19 Sec. 6-107.5. Adult Driver Education Course.
- 20 (a) The Secretary shall establish by rule the curriculum 21 and designate the materials to be used in an adult driver 22 education course. The course shall be at least 6 hours in 23 length and shall include instruction on traffic laws; highway 24 signs, signals, and markings that regulate, warn, or direct 25 traffic; and issues commonly associated with motor vehicle

- 1 accidents including poor decision-making, risk taking,
- 2 impaired driving, distraction, speed, failure to use a safety
- 3 belt, driving at night, failure to yield the right-of-way,
- 4 texting while driving, using wireless communication devices,
- 5 and alcohol and drug awareness. The curriculum shall not
- 6 require the operation of a motor vehicle.
- 7 (b) The Secretary shall certify course providers. The
- 8 requirements to be a certified course provider, the process for
- 9 applying for certification, and the procedure for decertifying
- a course provider shall be established by rule.
- 11 (c) The Secretary may permit a course provider to offer the
- 12 course online, if the Secretary is satisfied the course
- provider has established adequate procedures for verifying:
- 14 (1) the identity of the person taking the course
- online; and
- 16 (2) the person completes the entire course.
- 17 (d) The Secretary shall establish a method of electronic
- 18 verification of a student's successful completion of the
- 19 course.
- 20 (e) The fee charged by the course provider must bear a
- 21 reasonable relationship to the cost of the course. The course
- 22 provider must state all fees charged by the course provider on
- the course provider's website. The Secretary shall post on the
- 24 Secretary of State's website a list of approved course
- 25 providers, the fees charged by the providers, and contact
- 26 information for each course provider including each course

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provider's website.

- (f) In addition to any other fee charged by the course provider, the course provider shall collect a fee of \$5 from each student to offset the costs incurred by the Secretary in administering this program. The \$5 shall be submitted to the Secretary within 14 days of the day on which it was collected. All such fees received by the Secretary shall be deposited in the Secretary of State Driver Services Administration Fund.
- 10 (625 ILCS 5/6-401) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-401)

(Source: P.A. 98-167, eff. 7-1-14.)

- Sec. 6-401. Driver training schools-license required. No person, firm, association, partnership or corporation shall operate a driver training school or engage in the business of giving instruction for hire or for a fee in (1) the driving of motor vehicles; or (2) the preparation of an applicant for examination given by the Secretary of State for a drivers license or permit, unless a license therefor has been issued by the Secretary. No public schools or educational institutions shall contract with entities engaged in the business of giving instruction for hire or for a fee in the driving of motor vehicles for the preparation of an applicant for examination given by the Secretary of State for a driver's license or permit, unless a license therefor has been issued by the Secretary.
 - This Section shall not apply to (i) public schools or to

- 1 educational institutions in which driving instruction is part
- of the curriculum, (ii) employers giving instruction to their
- 3 employees, or (iii) schools that teach enhanced driving skills
- 4 to licensed drivers as set forth in Article X of Chapter 6 of
- 5 this Code, or (iv) an entity that provides an adult driver
- 6 education course, as provided in Section 6-107.5 of this Code,
- 7 <u>if the entity conducts the course solely via the Internet.</u>
- 8 Any person convicted of a violation of this Section shall
- 9 be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor, with a minimum fine of
- 10 \$1,000. Any person convicted of a violation of this Section a
- second or subsequent time shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony,
- with a minimum fine of \$2,500.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 96-740, eff. 1-1-10; 96-962, eff. 7-2-10; 97-229,
- 14 eff. 7-28-11.)
- 15 Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes
- 16 changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text
- that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section
- 18 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does
- 19 not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes
- 20 made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other
- 21 Public Act.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 23 becoming law.