

SB1381



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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-306

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

Amends the Vehicle Code to allow a vehicle or pedestrian to enter an intersection under direction of a flashing yellow traffic-control signal, but yield to pedestrians and other vehicles already lawfully within the intersection. Effective immediately.

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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
6 pedestrian-control signal as provided in Section 11-307,
7 may proceed across the roadway within any marked or
8 unmarked crosswalk that crosses the lane or lanes used to
9 depart the intersection by traffic controlled by the
10 flashing yellow arrow indication.

11 (c) Steady red indication.

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

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

1 on the near side of the intersection, or if there is no
2 such crosswalk, then before entering the intersection, and
3 shall remain standing until an indication permitting the
4 movement indicated by such red arrow is shown.

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

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

1 the right to proceed, after yielding the right of way to
2 oncoming traffic facing a green signal, subject to the
3 rules applicable after making a stop at a stop sign as
4 required by Section 11-1204 of this Code.

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

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

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

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

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
21 becoming law.