99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4114

by Rep. Luis Arroyo

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Expressway Ramp Camera Placement Act. Creates the Expressway Ramp and Camera Placement Study. Requires the Illinois Department of Transportation to conduct a study on accidents involving motor vehicles driving the wrong direction onto expressway or freeway access ramps, and produce a report on its findings. Provides that the Department's report shall include the frequency of access ramp accidents; a listing of access ramps with the highest accident rates; and a recommendation for placement of access ramp cameras. Requires the Department to place cameras on access ramps, which in the Department's discretion, have the highest accident rates. The cameras shall record the scene with video and audio, and be accompanied by a sound or siren which shall warn on-coming traffic that a vehicle is driving in the wrong direction, and to proceed with caution. Defines the terms, "access ramp", "Department", and "expressway". Contains a repealer provision for the study. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
Expressway Ramp Camera Placement Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

7 "Access ramp" means the road path used by motor vehicles to8 either enter or exit an expressway.

9 "Department" means the Illinois Department of 10 Transportation.

"Expressway" means a major divided highway designed for high-speed travel, having few or no intersections. An "expressway" may also be referred to as a "freeway".

14 Section 10. The Expressway Ramp and Camera Placement Study. 15 (a) The Department shall conduct a study on accidents 16 involving motor vehicles driving the wrong direction onto 17 expressway or freeway access ramps, and produce a report on its 18 findings. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the 19 following:

(1) the frequency of accidents involving motor
vehicles driving the wrong direction onto expressway or
freeway access ramps in this State;

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(2) a listing of expressway or freeway access ramps
 having the highest accident rate due to motor vehicles
 driving the wrong direction onto the access ramp; and

4 (3) recommendations for placement of cameras, for 5 safety purposes, on access ramps having the highest 6 frequency of accidents due to motor vehicles driving the 7 wrong direction onto the access ramp.

8 (b) The Department shall submit its report and 9 recommendations to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 10 2016.

11 Section 15. Placement of expressway cameras.

12 (a) Based upon the Expressway Ramp and Camera Placement 13 Study, the Department shall install cameras on access ramps, 14 which in the Department's discretion, have the highest accident 15 rates due to motor vehicles driving the wrong direction onto 16 the access ramp.

(b) The cameras shall be capable of video and audio recording of the ramp, and be accompanied by a sound or siren which shall warn on-coming traffic that a vehicle is driving in the wrong direction, and to proceed with caution.

21 Section 20. Expiration. Section 10 of this Act is repealed 22 on January 1, 2017.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 24 becoming law.