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AN ACT in relation to vehicles.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by 5 changing Section 6-601 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/6-601) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-601)

Sec. 6-601. Penalties. (a) It is a petty offense for any
person to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter
unless such violation is by this Code or other law of this
State declared to be a misdemeanor or a felony.

(b) General penalties. Unless another penalty is in this Code or other laws of this State, every person convicted of a petty offense for the violation of any provision of this Chapter shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.

15 (c) Unlicensed driving. Except as hereinafter provided a 16 violation of Section 6-101 shall be:

A Class A misdemeanor if the person failed to obtain
 a driver's license or permit after expiration of a period of
 revocation.

20 2. A <u>Class B misdemeanor</u> petty-offense if the person has 21 been issued a driver's license or permit, which has expired, 22 and if the period of expiration is greater than 6 months; or 23 if the person has never been issued a driver's license or 24 permit, or is not qualified to obtain a driver's license or 25 permit because of his age;-the-minimum-fine-shall-be-\$50.

If a licensee under this Code is convicted of violating Section 6-101 for operating a motor vehicle during a time when such licensee's driver's license was invalid under the provisions of Section 6-110, then conviction under such circumstances shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$25. 1 If a licensee under this Code is convicted of violating 2 Section 6-303 for operating a motor vehicle during a time 3 when such licensee's driver's license was suspended under the 4 provisions of Section 6-306.3, then such act shall be a petty 5 offense (provided the licensee has answered the charge which 6 was the basis of the suspension under Section 6-306.3), and 7 there shall be imposed no additional like period of suspension as provided in paragraph (b) of Section 6-303. 8

9 Any person convicted of a violation of subsection 6 of 10 Section 6-301 shall be guilty of a Class <u>B</u> C misdemeanor and 11 shall be imprisoned for not less than 7 days.

12 (Source: P.A. 85-992.)