

1 AN ACT in relation to vehicles.

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
5 changing Section 4-214 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/4-214) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 4-214)

7 Sec. 4-214. Violations of Section 4-201.

8 (a) Any person who violates Section 4-201 of this Code
9 or who aids and abets in that violation:

10 (1) shall be subject to a mandatory fine of \$200;
11 and

12 (2) shall be required by the court to make a
13 disposition on the abandoned or unclaimed vehicle and pay
14 all towing, storage, and processing charges and
15 collection costs pursuant to Section 4-203, subsections
16 (a) and (e); ~~and~~

17 (3) shall not be eligible to transfer his or her
18 registration to another vehicle, or to newly obtain
19 registration for another vehicle, until the fine and
20 costs payable under items (1) and (2) of this subsection
21 (a) have been paid. If the person already has transferred
22 his or her registration to another vehicle, or has newly
23 obtained registration for another vehicle, without having
24 paid the required fine or costs, the Secretary of State
25 shall revoke the registration and shall notify the person
26 that his or her registration for that vehicle is void.
27 The person shall not obtain a new vehicle registration
28 until the fine and costs have been paid.

29 (b) When a vehicle is abandoned, it shall be presumed
30 that the last registered owner is responsible for the
31 abandonment and shall be liable for all towing, storage, and

1 processing charges and collection costs, less any amounts
2 realized in the disposal of the vehicle. The last registered
3 owner's liability for storage fees may not exceed a maximum
4 of 30 days' storage fees.

5 The presumption established under this subsection may be
6 rebutted by a showing that, prior to the time of the tow:

7 (1) a report of vehicle theft was filed with
8 respect to the vehicle; or

9 (2) the vehicle was sold or transferred and the
10 last registered owner provides the towing service with
11 the correct identity and address of the new owner at the
12 time of the sale or transfer.

13 If the presumption established under this subsection is
14 rebutted, the person responsible for theft of the vehicle or
15 to whom the vehicle was sold or transferred is liable for all
16 towing, storage, and processing charges and collection costs.

17 (Source: P.A. 89-433, eff. 12-15-95.)