

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 Sections 1-140, 11-302, 11-304, 15-102, 15-107,
6 15-111, and 15-316 as follows:

7 (625 ILCS 5/1-140) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1-140)
8 Sec. 1-140. Local authorities.

9 Every county, municipal and other local board or body
10 having authority to enact laws relating to traffic under the
11 constitution and laws of this State and each road district
12 highway commissioner having that authority.
13 (Source: P.A. 76-1586.)

14 (625 ILCS 5/11-302) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-302)
15 Sec. 11-302. Authority to designate through highway and
16 stop and yield intersections.

17 (a) The Department with reference to State highways
18 under its jurisdiction, and local authorities ~~and--road~~
19 ~~district--highway--commissioners~~ with reference to other
20 highways under their jurisdiction, may designate through
21 highways and erect stop signs or yield signs at specified
22 entrances thereto, or may designate any intersection as a
23 stop intersection or as a yield intersection and erect stop
24 signs or yield signs at one or more entrances to such
25 intersection. Designation of through highways and stop or
26 yield intersections and the erection of stop signs or yield
27 signs on township or road district roads are subject to the
28 written approval of the county engineer or superintendent of
29 highways.

30 (b) Every stop sign and yield sign shall conform to the

1 State Manual and Specifications and shall be located as near
2 as practicable to the nearest line of the crosswalk on the
3 near side of the intersection or, if there is no crosswalk,
4 then as close as practicable to the nearest line of the
5 intersecting roadway.

6 (c) The Department may in its discretion and when
7 traffic conditions warrant such action give preference to
8 traffic upon any of the State highways under its jurisdiction
9 over traffic crossing or entering such highway by erecting
10 appropriate traffic control devices.

11 (Source: P.A. 87-217.)

12 (625 ILCS 5/11-304) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-304)

13 Sec. 11-304. Local traffic-control devices; tourist
14 oriented businesses signs.

15 Local authorities and ~~road-district-highway-commissioners~~
16 in their respective maintenance jurisdiction shall place and
17 maintain such traffic-control devices upon highways under
18 their maintenance jurisdiction as are required to indicate
19 and carry out the provisions of this Chapter, and local
20 traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn, or guide traffic.
21 All such traffic control devices shall conform to the State
22 Manual and Specifications and shall be justified by traffic
23 warrants stated in the Manual. Placement of traffic-control
24 devices on township or road district roads also shall be
25 subject to the written approval of the county engineer or
26 superintendent of highways.

27 Local authorities and ~~road-district-highway-commissioners~~
28 in their respective maintenance jurisdictions shall have the
29 authority to install signs, in conformance with the State
30 Manual and specifications, alerting motorists of the tourist
31 oriented businesses available on roads under local
32 jurisdiction in rural areas as may be required to guide
33 motorists to the businesses. The local authorities and road

1 district highway commissioners shall also have the authority
2 to sell or lease space on these signs to the owners or
3 operators of the businesses.

4 (Source: P.A. 90-519, eff. 6-1-98.)

5 (625 ILCS 5/15-102) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 15-102)

6 Sec. 15-102. Width of Vehicles.

7 (a) On Class III and non-designated State and local
8 highways, the total outside width of any vehicle or load
9 thereon shall not exceed 8 feet.

10 (b) Except during those times when, due to insufficient
11 light or unfavorable atmospheric conditions, persons and
12 vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at a
13 distance of 1000 feet, the following vehicles may exceed the
14 8 feet limitation during the period from a half hour before
15 sunrise to a half hour after sunset:

16 (1) Loads of hay, straw or other similar farm
17 products provided that the load is not more than 12 feet
18 wide.

19 (2) Implements of husbandry being transported on
20 another vehicle and the transporting vehicle while
21 loaded.

22 The following requirements apply to the
23 transportation on another vehicle of an implement of
24 husbandry wider than 8 feet 6 inches on the National
25 System of Interstate and Defense Highways or other
26 highways in the system of State highways:

27 (A) The driver of a vehicle transporting an
28 implement of husbandry that exceeds 8 feet 6 inches
29 in width shall obey all traffic laws and shall check
30 the roadways prior to making a movement in order to
31 ensure that adequate clearance is available for the
32 movement. It is prima facie evidence that the
33 driver of a vehicle transporting an implement of

1 husbandry has failed to check the roadway prior to
2 making a movement if the vehicle is involved in a
3 collision with a bridge, overpass, fixed structure,
4 or properly placed traffic control device or if the
5 vehicle blocks traffic due to its inability to
6 proceed because of a bridge, overpass, fixed
7 structure, or properly placed traffic control
8 device.

9 (B) Flags shall be displayed so as to wave
10 freely at the extremities of overwidth objects and
11 at the extreme ends of all protrusions, projections,
12 and overhangs. All flags shall be clean, bright red
13 flags with no advertising, wording, emblem, or
14 insignia inscribed upon them and at least 18 inches
15 square.

16 (C) "OVERSIZE LOAD" signs are mandatory on the
17 front and rear of all vehicles with loads over 10
18 feet wide. These signs must have 12-inch high black
19 letters with a 2-inch stroke on a yellow sign that
20 is 7 feet wide by 18 inches high.

21 (D) One civilian escort vehicle is required
22 for a load that exceeds 14 feet 6 inches in width
23 and 2 civilian escort vehicles are required for a
24 load that exceeds 16 feet in width on the National
25 System of Interstate and Defense Highways or other
26 highways in the system of State highways.

27 (E) The requirements for a civilian escort
28 vehicle and driver are as follows:

29 (1) The civilian escort vehicle shall be
30 a passenger car or a second division vehicle
31 not exceeding a gross vehicle weight of 8,000
32 pounds that is designed to afford clear and
33 unobstructed vision to both front and rear.

34 (2) The escort vehicle driver must be

1 properly licensed to operate the vehicle.

2 (3) While in use, the escort vehicle must
3 be equipped with illuminated rotating,
4 oscillating, or flashing amber lights or
5 flashing amber strobe lights mounted on top
6 that are of sufficient intensity to be visible
7 at 500 feet in normal sunlight.

8 (4) "OVERSIZE LOAD" signs are mandatory
9 on all escort vehicles. The sign on an escort
10 vehicle shall have 8-inch high black letters on
11 a yellow sign that is 5 feet wide by 12 inches
12 high.

13 (5) When only one escort vehicle is
14 required and it is operating on a two-lane
15 highway, the escort vehicle shall travel
16 approximately 300 feet ahead of the load. The
17 rotating, oscillating, or flashing lights or
18 flashing amber strobe lights and an "OVERSIZE
19 LOAD" sign shall be displayed on the escort
20 vehicle and shall be visible from the front.
21 When only one escort vehicle is required and it
22 is operating on a multilane divided highway,
23 the escort vehicle shall travel approximately
24 300 feet behind the load and the sign and
25 lights shall be visible from the rear.

26 (6) When 2 escort vehicles are required,
27 one escort shall travel approximately 300 feet
28 ahead of the load and the second escort shall
29 travel approximately 300 feet behind the load.
30 The rotating, oscillating, or flashing lights
31 or flashing amber strobe lights and an
32 "OVERSIZE LOAD" sign shall be displayed on the
33 escort vehicles and shall be visible from the
34 front on the lead escort and from the rear on

1 the trailing escort.

2 (7) When traveling within the corporate
3 limits of a municipality, the escort vehicle
4 shall maintain a reasonable and proper distance
5 from the oversize load, consistent with
6 existing traffic conditions.

7 (8) A separate escort shall be provided
8 for each load hauled.

9 (9) The driver of an escort vehicle shall
10 obey all traffic laws.

11 (10) The escort vehicle must be in safe
12 operational condition.

13 (11) The driver of the escort vehicle
14 must be in radio contact with the driver of the
15 vehicle carrying the oversize load.

16 (F) A transport vehicle while under load of
17 more than 8 feet 6 inches in width must be equipped
18 with an illuminated rotating, oscillating, or
19 flashing amber light or lights or a flashing amber
20 strobe light or lights mounted on the top of the cab
21 that are of sufficient intensity to be visible at
22 500 feet in normal sunlight. If the load on the
23 transport vehicle blocks the visibility of the amber
24 lighting from the rear of the vehicle, the vehicle
25 must also be equipped with an illuminated rotating,
26 oscillating, or flashing amber light or lights or a
27 flashing amber strobe light or lights mounted on the
28 rear of the load that are of sufficient intensity to
29 be visible at 500 feet in normal sunlight.

30 (G) When a flashing amber light is required on
31 the transport vehicle under load and it is operating
32 on a two-lane highway, the transport vehicle shall
33 display to the rear at least one rotating,
34 oscillating, or flashing light or a flashing amber

1 strobe light and an "OVERSIZE LOAD" sign. When a
 2 flashing amber light is required on the transport
 3 vehicle under load and it is operating on a
 4 multilane divided highway, the sign and light shall
 5 be visible from the rear.

6 (H) Maximum speed shall be 45 miles per hour
 7 on all such moves or 5 miles per hour above the
 8 posted minimum speed limit, whichever is greater,
 9 but the vehicle shall not at any time exceed the
 10 posted maximum speed limit.

11 (3) Portable buildings designed and used for
 12 agricultural and livestock raising operations that are
 13 not more than 14 feet wide and with not more than a 1
 14 foot overhang along the left side of the hauling vehicle.
 15 However, the buildings shall not be transported more than
 16 10 miles and not on any route that is part of the
 17 National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

18 All buildings when being transported shall display at
 19 least 2 red cloth flags, not less than 12 inches square,
 20 mounted as high as practicable on the left and right side of
 21 the building.

22 A State Police escort shall be required if it is
 23 necessary for this load to use part of the left lane when
 24 crossing any 2 laned State highway bridge.

25 (c) Vehicles propelled by electric power obtained from
 26 overhead trolley wires operated wholly within the corporate
 27 limits of a municipality are also exempt from the width
 28 limitation.

29 (d) Exemptions are also granted to vehicles designed for
 30 the carrying of more than 10 persons under the following
 31 conditions:

- 32 (1) (Blank);
- 33 (2) When operated within any public transportation
- 34 service with the approval of local authorities or an

1 appropriate public body authorized by law to provide
2 public transportation. Any vehicle so operated may be 8
3 feet 6 inches in width; or

4 (3) When a county engineer or superintendent of
5 highways, after giving due consideration to the mass
6 transportation needs of the area and to the width and
7 condition of the road, has determined that the operation
8 of buses wider than 8 feet will not pose an undue safety
9 hazard on a particular county or township road segment,
10 he or she may authorize buses not to exceed 8 feet 6
11 inches in width on any highway under that engineer's or
12 superintendent's jurisdiction.

13 (e) A vehicle and load traveling upon the National
14 System of Interstate and Defense Highways or any other
15 highway in the system of State highways that has been
16 designated as a Class I or Class II highway by the
17 Department, or any street or highway designated by local
18 authorities ~~or road district commissioners~~, may have a total
19 outside width of 8 feet 6 inches, provided that certain
20 safety devices that the Department determines as necessary
21 for the safe and efficient operation of motor vehicles shall
22 not be included in the calculation of width.

23 (e-1) A vehicle and load more than 8 feet wide but not
24 exceeding 8 feet 6 inches in width is allowed access
25 according to the following:

26 (1) A vehicle and load not exceeding 73,280 pounds
27 in weight is allowed access from any State designated
28 highway onto any county, township, or municipal highway
29 for a distance of 5 highway miles for the purpose of
30 loading and unloading, provided:

31 (A) The vehicle and load does not exceed 65
32 feet overall length.

33 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

34 (C) The route is not being used as a

1 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

2 (2) A vehicle and load not exceeding 73,280 pounds
3 in weight is allowed access from any State designated
4 highway onto any county or township highway for a
5 distance of 5 highway miles or onto any municipal highway
6 for a distance of one highway mile for the purpose of
7 food, fuel, repairs, and rest, provided:

8 (A) The vehicle and load does not exceed 65
9 feet overall length.

10 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

11 (C) The route is not being used as a
12 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

13 (3) A vehicle and load not exceeding 80,000 pounds
14 in weight is allowed access from a Class I highway onto
15 any street or highway for a distance of one highway mile
16 for the purpose of loading, unloading, food, fuel,
17 repairs, and rest, provided there is no sign prohibiting
18 that access.

19 (4) A vehicle and load not exceeding 80,000 pounds
20 in weight is allowed access from a Class I or Class II
21 highway onto any State highway or any locally designated
22 highway for a distance of 5 highway miles for the purpose
23 of loading, unloading, food, fuel, repairs, and rest.

24 (5) A trailer or semi-trailer not exceeding 28 feet
25 6 inches in length, that was originally in combination
26 with a truck tractor, shall have unlimited access to
27 points of loading and unloading.

28 (6) All household goods carriers shall have
29 unlimited access to points of loading and unloading.

30 Section 5-35 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act
31 relating to procedures for rulemaking shall not apply to the
32 designation of highways under this paragraph (e).

33 (f) Mirrors required by Section 12-502 of this Code and
34 other safety devices identified by the Department may project

1 up to 14 inches beyond each side of a bus and up to 6 inches
2 beyond each side of any other vehicle, and that projection
3 shall not be deemed a violation of the width restrictions of
4 this Section.

5 (g) Any person who is convicted of violating this
6 Section is subject to the penalty as provided in paragraph
7 (b) of Section 15-113.

8 (Source: P.A. 91-780, eff. 6-9-00; 92-417, eff. 1-1-02.)

9 (625 ILCS 5/15-107) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 15-107)

10 Sec. 15-107. Length of vehicles.

11 (a) The maximum length of a single vehicle on any
12 highway of this State may not exceed 42 feet except the
13 following:

14 (1) Semitrailers.

15 (2) Charter or regulated route buses may be up to
16 45 feet in length, not including energy absorbing
17 bumpers.

18 (a-1) A motor home as defined in Section 1-145.01 may be
19 up to 45 feet in length, not including energy absorbing
20 bumpers. The length limitations described in this subsection
21 (a-1) shall be exclusive of energy-absorbing bumpers and rear
22 view mirrors.

23 (b) On all non-State highways, the maximum length of
24 vehicles in combinations is as follows:

25 (1) A truck tractor in combination with a
26 semitrailer may not exceed 55 feet overall dimension.

27 (2) A truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer may not
28 exceed 60 feet overall dimension.

29 (3) Combinations specially designed to transport
30 motor vehicles or boats may not exceed 60 feet overall
31 dimension.

32 Vehicles operating during daylight hours when
33 transporting poles, pipes, machinery, or other objects of a

1 structural nature that cannot readily be dismembered are
2 exempt from length limitations, provided that no object may
3 exceed 80 feet in length and the overall dimension of the
4 vehicle including the load may not exceed 100 feet. This
5 exemption does not apply to operation on a Saturday, Sunday,
6 or legal holiday. Legal holidays referred to in this Section
7 are the days on which the following traditional holidays are
8 celebrated: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day;
9 Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day.

10 Vehicles and loads operated by a public utility while en
11 route to make emergency repairs to public service facilities
12 or properties are exempt from length limitations, provided
13 that during night operations every vehicle and its load must
14 be equipped with a sufficient number of clearance lamps on
15 both sides and marker lamps on the extreme ends of any
16 projecting load to clearly mark the dimensions of the load.

17 A tow truck in combination with a disabled vehicle or
18 combination of disabled vehicles, as provided in paragraph
19 (6) of subsection (c) of this Section, is exempt from length
20 limitations.

21 All other combinations not listed in this subsection (b)
22 may not exceed 60 feet overall dimension.

23 (c) Combinations of vehicles may not exceed a total of 2
24 vehicles except the following:

25 (1) A truck tractor semitrailer may draw one
26 trailer.

27 (2) A truck tractor semitrailer may draw one
28 converter dolly.

29 (3) A truck tractor semitrailer may draw one
30 vehicle that is defined in Chapter 1 as special mobile
31 equipment, provided the overall dimension does not exceed
32 60 feet.

33 (4) A truck in transit may draw 3 trucks in transit
34 coupled together by the triple saddlemount method.

1 (5) Recreational vehicles consisting of 3 vehicles,
2 provided the following:

3 (A) The total overall dimension does not
4 exceed 60 feet.

5 (B) The towing vehicle is a properly
6 registered vehicle capable of towing another vehicle
7 using a fifth-wheel type assembly.

8 (C) The second vehicle in the combination of
9 vehicles is a recreational vehicle that is towed by
10 a fifth-wheel assembly. This vehicle must be
11 properly registered and must be equipped with
12 brakes, regardless of weight.

13 (D) The third vehicle must be the lightest of
14 the 3 vehicles and be a trailer or semitrailer
15 designed or used for transporting a boat,
16 all-terrain vehicle, personal watercraft, or
17 motorcycle.

18 (E) The towed vehicles may be only for the use
19 of the operator of the towing vehicle.

20 (F) All vehicles must be properly equipped
21 with operating brakes and safety equipment required
22 by this Code, except the additional brake
23 requirement in subdivision (C) of this subparagraph
24 (5).

25 (6) A tow truck in combination with a disabled
26 vehicle or combination of disabled vehicles, provided the
27 towing vehicle:

28 (A) Is specifically designed as a tow truck
29 having a gross vehicle weight rating of at least
30 18,000 pounds and equipped with air brakes, provided
31 that air brakes are required only if the towing
32 vehicle is towing a vehicle, semitrailer, or
33 tractor-trailer combination that is equipped with
34 air brakes. For the purpose of this subsection,

1 gross vehicle weight rating, or GVWR, means the
2 value specified by the manufacturer as the loaded
3 weight of the tow truck.

4 (B) Is equipped with flashing, rotating, or
5 oscillating amber lights, visible for at least 500
6 feet in all directions.

7 (C) Is capable of utilizing the lighting and
8 braking systems of the disabled vehicle or
9 combination of vehicles.

10 (D) Does not engage a tow exceeding 50 highway
11 miles from the initial point of wreck or disablement
12 to a place of repair. Any additional movement of the
13 vehicles may occur only upon issuance of
14 authorization for that movement under the provisions
15 of Sections 15-301 through 15-319 of this Code.

16 The Department may by rule or regulation prescribe
17 additional requirements regarding length limitations for a
18 tow truck towing another vehicle.

19 For purposes of this Section, a tow-dolly that merely
20 serves as substitute wheels for another legally licensed
21 vehicle is considered part of the licensed vehicle and not a
22 separate vehicle.

23 (d) On Class I highways there are no overall length
24 limitations on motor vehicles operating in combinations
25 provided:

26 (1) The length of a semitrailer, unladen or with
27 load, in combination with a truck tractor may not exceed
28 53 feet.

29 (2) The distance between the kingpin and the center
30 of the rear axle of a semitrailer longer than 48 feet, in
31 combination with a truck tractor, may not exceed 45 feet
32 6 inches.

33 (3) The length of a semitrailer or trailer, unladen
34 or with load, operated in a truck

1 tractor-semitrailer-trailer combination, may not exceed
2 28 feet 6 inches.

3 (4) Maxi-cube combinations, as defined in Chapter
4 1, may not exceed 65 feet overall dimension.

5 (5) Combinations of vehicles specifically designed
6 to transport motor vehicles or boats may not exceed 65
7 feet overall dimension. The length limitation is
8 inclusive of front and rear bumpers but exclusive of the
9 overhang of the transported vehicles, as provided in
10 paragraph (i) of this Section.

11 (6) Stinger steered semitrailer vehicles as defined
12 in Chapter 1, specifically designed to transport motor
13 vehicles or boats, may not exceed 75 feet overall
14 dimension. The length limitation is inclusive of front
15 and rear bumpers but exclusive of the overhang of the
16 transported vehicles, as provided in paragraph (i) of
17 this Section.

18 (7) A truck in transit transporting 3 trucks
19 coupled together by the triple saddlemount method may not
20 exceed 75 feet overall dimension.

21 Vehicles operating during daylight hours when
22 transporting poles, pipes, machinery, or other objects of a
23 structural nature that cannot readily be dismembered are
24 exempt from length limitations, provided that no object may
25 exceed 80 feet in length and the overall dimension of the
26 vehicle including the load may not exceed 100 feet. This
27 exemption does not apply to operation on a Saturday, Sunday,
28 or legal holiday. Legal holidays referred to in this Section
29 are the days on which the following traditional holidays are
30 celebrated: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day;
31 Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day.

32 Vehicles and loads operated by a public utility while en
33 route to make emergency repairs to public service facilities
34 or properties are exempt from length limitations, provided

1 that during night operations every vehicle and its load must
2 be equipped with a sufficient number of clearance lamps on
3 both sides and marker lamps on the extreme ends of any
4 projecting load to clearly mark the dimensions of the load.

5 A tow truck in combination with a disabled vehicle or
6 combination of disabled vehicles, as provided in paragraph
7 (6) of subsection (c) of this Section, is exempt from length
8 limitations.

9 The length limitations described in this paragraph (d)
10 shall be exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices,
11 such as bumpers, refrigeration units or air compressors and
12 other devices, that the Department may interpret as necessary
13 for safe and efficient operation; except that no device
14 excluded under this paragraph shall have by its design or use
15 the capability to carry cargo.

16 Section 5-35 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act
17 relating to procedures for rulemaking shall not apply to the
18 designation of highways under this paragraph (d).

19 (e) On Class II highways there are no overall length
20 limitations on motor vehicles operating in combinations,
21 provided:

22 (1) The length of a semitrailer, unladen or with
23 load, in combination with a truck tractor, may not exceed
24 53 feet overall dimension.

25 (2) The distance between the kingpin and the center
26 of the rear axle of a semitrailer longer than 48 feet, in
27 combination with a truck tractor, may not exceed 45 feet
28 6 inches.

29 (3) A truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer combination
30 may not exceed 65 feet in dimension from front axle to
31 rear axle.

32 (4) The length of a semitrailer or trailer, unladen
33 or with load, operated in a truck
34 tractor-semitrailer-trailer combination, may not exceed

1 28 feet 6 inches.

2 (5) Maxi-cube combinations, as defined in Chapter
3 1, may not exceed 65 feet overall dimension.

4 (6) A combination of vehicles, specifically
5 designed to transport motor vehicles or boats, may not
6 exceed 65 feet overall dimension. The length limitation
7 is inclusive of front and rear bumpers but exclusive of
8 the overhang of the transported vehicles, as provided in
9 paragraph (i) of this Section.

10 (7) Stinger steered semitrailer vehicles, as
11 defined in Chapter 1, specifically designed to transport
12 motor vehicles or boats, may not exceed 75 feet overall
13 dimension. The length limitation is inclusive of front
14 and rear bumpers but exclusive of the overhang of the
15 transported vehicles, as provided in paragraph (i) of
16 this Section.

17 (8) A truck in transit transporting 3 trucks
18 coupled together by the triple saddlemount method may not
19 exceed 75 feet overall dimension.

20 Vehicles operating during daylight hours when
21 transporting poles, pipes, machinery, or other objects of a
22 structural nature that cannot readily be dismembered are
23 exempt from length limitations, provided that no object may
24 exceed 80 feet in length and the overall dimension of the
25 vehicle including the load may not exceed 100 feet. This
26 exemption does not apply to operation on a Saturday, Sunday,
27 or legal holiday. Legal holidays referred to in this Section
28 are the days on which the following traditional holidays are
29 celebrated: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day;
30 Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day.

31 Vehicles and loads operated by a public utility while en
32 route to make emergency repairs to public service facilities
33 or properties are exempt from length limitations, provided
34 that during night operations every vehicle and its load must

1 be equipped with a sufficient number of clearance lamps on
2 both sides and marker lamps on the extreme ends of any
3 projecting load to clearly mark the dimensions of the load.

4 A tow truck in combination with a disabled vehicle or
5 combination of disabled vehicles, as provided in paragraph
6 (6) of subsection (c) of this Section, is exempt from length
7 limitations.

8 Local authorities and ~~read-district--commissioners~~, with
9 respect to streets and highways under their jurisdiction, may
10 also by ordinance or resolution allow length limitations of
11 this subsection (e).

12 The length limitations described in this paragraph (e)
13 shall be exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices,
14 such as bumpers, refrigeration units or air compressors and
15 other devices, that the Department may interpret as necessary
16 for safe and efficient operation; except that no device
17 excluded under this paragraph shall have by its design or use
18 the capability to carry cargo.

19 (e-1) Combinations of vehicles not exceeding 65 feet
20 overall length are allowed access as follows:

21 (1) From any State designated highway onto any
22 county, township, or municipal highway for a distance of
23 5 highway miles for the purpose of loading and unloading,
24 provided:

25 (A) The vehicle does not exceed 73,280 pounds
26 in gross weight and 8 feet 6 inches in width.

27 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

28 (C) The route is not being used as a
29 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

30 (2) From any State designated highway onto any
31 county or township highway for a distance of 5 highway
32 miles or onto any municipal highway for a distance of one
33 highway mile for the purpose of food, fuel, repairs, and
34 rest, provided:

1 (A) The vehicle does not exceed 73,280 pounds
2 in gross weight and 8 feet 6 inches in width.

3 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

4 (C) The route is not being used as a
5 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

6 (e-2) Except as provided in subsection (e-3),
7 combinations of vehicles over 65 feet in length, with no
8 overall length limitation except as provided in subsections
9 (d) and (e) of this Section, are allowed access as follows:

10 (1) From a Class I highway onto any street or
11 highway for a distance of one highway mile for the
12 purpose of loading, unloading, food, fuel, repairs, and
13 rest, provided there is no sign prohibiting that access.

14 (2) From a Class I or Class II highway onto any
15 State highway or any locally designated highway for a
16 distance of 5 highway miles for the purpose of loading,
17 unloading, food, fuel, repairs, and rest.

18 (e-3) Combinations of vehicles over 65 feet in length
19 operated by household goods carriers, with no overall length
20 limitations except as provided in subsections (d) and (e) of
21 this Section, have unlimited access to points of loading and
22 unloading.

23 Section 5-35 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act
24 relating to procedures for rulemaking shall not apply to the
25 designation of highways under this paragraph (e).

26 (f) On Class III and other non-designated State
27 highways, the length limitations for vehicles in combination
28 are as follows:

29 (1) Truck tractor-semitrailer combinations, must
30 comply with either a maximum 55 feet overall wheel base
31 or a maximum 65 feet extreme overall dimension.

32 (2) Semitrailers, unladen or with load, may not
33 exceed 53 feet overall dimension.

34 (3) No truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer

1 combination may exceed 60 feet extreme overall dimension.

2 (4) The distance between the kingpin and the center
3 axle of a semitrailer longer than 48 feet, in combination
4 with a truck tractor, may not exceed 42 feet 6 inches.

5 (g) Length limitations in the preceding subsections of
6 this Section 15-107 do not apply to the following:

7 (1) Vehicles operated in the daytime, except on
8 Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays, when transporting
9 poles, pipe, machinery, or other objects of a structural
10 nature that cannot readily be dismembered, provided the
11 overall length of vehicle and load may not exceed 100
12 feet and no object exceeding 80 feet in length may be
13 transported unless a permit has been obtained as
14 authorized in Section 15-301.

15 (2) Vehicles and loads operated by a public utility
16 while en route to make emergency repairs to public
17 service facilities or properties, but during night
18 operation every vehicle and its load must be equipped
19 with a sufficient number of clearance lamps on both sides
20 and marker lamps upon the extreme ends of any projecting
21 load to clearly mark the dimensions of the load.

22 (3) A tow truck in combination with a disabled
23 vehicle or combination of disabled vehicles, provided the
24 towing vehicle meets the following conditions:

25 (A) It is specifically designed as a tow truck
26 having a gross vehicle weight rating of at least
27 18,000 pounds and equipped with air brakes, provided
28 that air brakes are required only if the towing
29 vehicle is towing a vehicle, semitrailer, or
30 tractor-trailer combination that is equipped with
31 air brakes.

32 (B) It is equipped with flashing, rotating, or
33 oscillating amber lights, visible for at least 500
34 feet in all directions.

1 (C) It is capable of utilizing the lighting
2 and braking systems of the disabled vehicle or
3 combination of vehicles.

4 (D) It does not engage in a tow exceeding 50
5 miles from the initial point of wreck or
6 disablement.

7 The Department may by rule or regulation prescribe
8 additional requirements regarding length limitations for a
9 tow truck towing another vehicle.

10 For the purpose of this subsection, gross vehicle weight
11 rating, or GVWR, shall mean the value specified by the
12 manufacturer as the loaded weight of the tow truck. Legal
13 holidays referred to in this Section shall be specified as
14 the day on which the following traditional holidays are
15 celebrated:

- 16 New Year's Day;
- 17 Memorial Day;
- 18 Independence Day;
- 19 Labor Day;
- 20 Thanksgiving Day; and
- 21 Christmas Day.

22 (h) The load upon any vehicle operated alone, or the
23 load upon the front vehicle of a combination of vehicles,
24 shall not extend more than 3 feet beyond the front wheels of
25 the vehicle or the front bumper of the vehicle if it is
26 equipped with a front bumper. The provisions of this
27 subsection (h) shall not apply to any vehicle or combination
28 of vehicles specifically designed for the collection and
29 transportation of waste, garbage, or recyclable materials
30 during the vehicle's operation in the course of collecting
31 garbage, waste, or recyclable materials if the vehicle is
32 traveling at a speed not in excess of 15 miles per hour
33 during the vehicle's operation and in the course of
34 collecting garbage, waste, or recyclable materials. However,

1 in no instance shall the load extend more than 7 feet beyond
2 the front wheels of the vehicle or the front bumper of the
3 vehicle if it is equipped with a front bumper.

4 (i) The load upon the front vehicle of a combination of
5 vehicles specifically designed to transport motor vehicles
6 shall not extend more than 3 feet beyond the foremost part of
7 the transporting vehicle and the load upon the rear
8 transporting vehicle shall not extend more than 4 feet beyond
9 the rear of the bed or body of the vehicle. This paragraph
10 shall only be applicable upon highways designated in
11 paragraphs (d) and (e) of this Section.

12 (j) Articulated vehicles comprised of 2 sections,
13 neither of which exceeds a length of 42 feet, designed for
14 the carrying of more than 10 persons, may be up to 60 feet in
15 length, not including energy absorbing bumpers, provided that
16 the vehicles are:

17 1. operated by or for any public body or motor
18 carrier authorized by law to provide public
19 transportation services; or

20 2. operated in local public transportation service
21 by any other person and the municipality in which the
22 service is to be provided approved the operation of the
23 vehicle.

24 (j-1) (Blank).

25 (k) Any person who is convicted of violating this
26 Section is subject to the penalty as provided in paragraph
27 (b) of Section 15-113.

28 (l) (Blank).

29 (Source: P.A. 92-417, eff. 1-1-02; 92-766, eff. 1-1-03;
30 92-883, eff. 1-13-03.)

31 (625 ILCS 5/15-111) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 15-111)
32 Sec. 15-111. Wheel and axle loads and gross weights.

33 (a) On non-designated highways, no vehicle or

1 combination of vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires may be
2 operated, unladen or with load, when the total weight
3 transmitted to the road surface exceeds 18,000 pounds on a
4 single axle or 32,000 pounds on a tandem axle with no axle
5 within the tandem exceeding 18,000 pounds except:

6 (1) when a different limit is established and
7 posted in accordance with Section 15-316 of this Code;

8 (2) vehicles for which the Department of
9 Transportation and local authorities issue overweight
10 permits under authority of Section 15-301 of this Code;

11 (3) tow trucks subject to the conditions provided
12 in subsection (d) may not exceed 24,000 pounds on a
13 single rear axle or 44,000 pounds on a tandem rear axle;

14 (4) any single axle of a 2-axle truck weighing
15 36,000 pounds or less and not a part of a combination of
16 vehicles, shall not exceed 20,000 pounds;

17 (5) any single axle of a 2-axle truck equipped with
18 a personnel lift or digger derrick, weighing 36,000
19 pounds or less, owned and operated by a public utility,
20 shall not exceed 20,000 pounds;

21 (6) any single axle of a 2-axle truck specially
22 equipped with a front loading compactor used exclusively
23 for garbage, refuse, or recycling may not exceed 20,000
24 pounds per axle, provided that the gross weight of the
25 vehicle does not exceed 40,000 pounds;

26 (7) a truck, not in combination and specially
27 equipped with a selfcompactor or an industrial roll-off
28 hoist and roll-off container, used exclusively for
29 garbage or refuse operations may, when laden, transmit
30 upon the road surface the following maximum weights:
31 22,000 pounds on a single axle; 40,000 pounds on a tandem
32 axle;

33 (8) a truck, not in combination and used
34 exclusively for the collection of rendering materials,

1 may, when laden, transmit upon the road surface the
2 following maximum weights: 22,000 pounds on a single
3 axle; 40,000 pounds on a tandem axle;

4 (9) tandem axles on a 3-axle truck registered as a
5 Special Hauling Vehicle, manufactured prior to or in the
6 model year of 2004 and first registered in Illinois prior
7 to January 1, 2005, with a distance greater than 72
8 inches but not more than 96 inches between any series of
9 2 axles, is allowed a combined weight on the series not
10 to exceed 36,000 pounds and neither axle of the series
11 may exceed 18,000 pounds. Any vehicle of this type
12 manufactured after the model year of 2004 or first
13 registered in Illinois after December 31, 2004 may not
14 exceed a combined weight of 32,000 pounds through the
15 series of 2 axles and neither axle of the series may
16 exceed 18,000 pounds;

17 (10) tandem axles on a 4-axle truck mixer, whose
18 fourth axle is a road surface engaging mixer trailing
19 axle, registered as a Special Hauling Vehicle, used
20 exclusively for the mixing and transportation of concrete
21 and manufactured prior to or in the model year of 2004
22 and first registered in Illinois prior to January 1,
23 2005, with a distance greater than 72 inches but not more
24 than 96 inches between any series of 2 axles, is allowed
25 a combined weight on the series not to exceed 36,000
26 pounds and neither axle of the series may exceed 18,000
27 pounds. Any vehicle of this type manufactured after the
28 model year of 2004 or first registered in Illinois after
29 December 31, 2004 may not exceed a combined weight of
30 32,000 pounds through the series of 2 axles and neither
31 axle of the series may exceed 18,000 pounds;

32 (11) 4-axle vehicles or a 5 or more axle
33 combination of vehicles: The weight transmitted upon the
34 road surface through any series of 3 axles whose centers

1 are more than 96 inches apart, measured between extreme
 2 axles in the series, may not exceed those allowed in the
 3 table contained in subsection (f) of this Section. No
 4 axle or tandem axle of the series may exceed the maximum
 5 weight permitted under this Section for a single or
 6 tandem axle.

7 No vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with other
 8 than pneumatic tires may be operated, unladen or with load,
 9 upon the highways of this State when the gross weight on the
 10 road surface through any wheel exceeds 800 pounds per inch
 11 width of tire tread or when the gross weight on the road
 12 surface through any axle exceeds 16,000 pounds.

13 (b) On non-designated highways, the gross weight of
 14 vehicles and combination of vehicles including the weight of
 15 the vehicle or combination and its maximum load shall be
 16 subject to the foregoing limitations and further shall not
 17 exceed the following gross weights dependent upon the number
 18 of axles and distance between extreme axles of the vehicle or
 19 combination measured longitudinally to the nearest foot.

20 VEHICLES HAVING 2 AXLES 36,000 pounds

21 VEHICLES OR COMBINATIONS

22 HAVING 3 AXLES

23	With Tandem		With or	
24	Axles		Without	
25			Tandem Axles	
26	Minimum		Minimum	
27	distance to	Maximum	distance to	Maximum
28	nearest foot	Gross	nearest foot	Gross
29	between	Weight	between	Weight
30	extreme axles	(pounds)	extreme axles	(pounds)
31	10 feet	41,000	16 feet	46,000
32	11	42,000	17	47,000
33	12	43,000	18	47,500

1	13	44,000	19	48,000
2	14	44,500	20	49,000
3	15	45,000	21 feet or more	50,000
4	VEHICLES OR COMBINATIONS			
5	HAVING 4 AXLES			
6	Minimum		Minimum	
7	distance to	Maximum	distance to	Maximum
8	nearest foot	Gross	nearest foot	Gross
9	between	Weight	between	Weight
10	extreme axles	(pounds)	extreme axles	(pounds)
11	15 feet	50,000	26 feet	57,500
12	16	50,500	27	58,000
13	17	51,500	28	58,500
14	18	52,000	29	59,500
15	19	52,500	30	60,000
16	20	53,500	31	60,500
17	21	54,000	32	61,500
18	22	54,500	33	62,000
19	23	55,500	34	62,500
20	24	56,000	35	63,500
21	25	56,500	36 feet or more	64,000

22 A vehicle not in a combination having more than 4 axles
 23 may not exceed the weight in the table in this subsection (b)
 24 for 4 axles measured between the extreme axles of the
 25 vehicle.

26 COMBINATIONS HAVING 5 OR MORE AXLES

27	Minimum distance to	Maximum
28	nearest foot between	Gross Weight
29	extreme axles	(pounds)
30	42 feet or less	72,000
31	43	73,000
32	44 feet or more	73,280

33 VEHICLES OPERATING ON CRAWLER TYPE TRACKS 40,000 pounds

1 TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH SELFCOMPACTORS
 2 OR ROLL-OFF HOISTS AND ROLL-OFF CONTAINERS FOR GARBAGE
 3 OR REFUSE HAULS ONLY AND TRUCKS USED FOR
 4 THE COLLECTION OF RENDERING MATERIALS
 5 On Highway Not Part of National System
 6 of Interstate and Defense Highways
 7 with 2 axles 36,000 pounds
 8 with 3 axles 54,000 pounds

9 TWO AXLE TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH
 10 A FRONT LOADING COMPACTOR USED EXCLUSIVELY
 11 FOR THE COLLECTION OF GARBAGE, REFUSE, OR RECYCLING
 12 with 2 axles 40,000 pounds

13 (c) Cities having a population of more than 50,000 may
 14 permit by ordinance axle loads on 2 axle motor vehicles 33
 15 1/2% above those provided for herein, but the increase shall
 16 not become effective until the city has officially notified
 17 the Department of the passage of the ordinance and shall not
 18 apply to those vehicles when outside of the limits of the
 19 city, nor shall the gross weight of any 2 axle motor vehicle
 20 operating over any street of the city exceed 40,000 pounds.

21 (d) Weight limitations shall not apply to vehicles
 22 (including loads) operated by a public utility when
 23 transporting equipment required for emergency repair of
 24 public utility facilities or properties or water wells.

25 A combination of vehicles, including a tow truck and a
 26 disabled vehicle or disabled combination of vehicles, that
 27 exceeds the weight restriction imposed by this Code, may be
 28 operated on a public highway in this State provided that
 29 neither the disabled vehicle nor any vehicle being towed nor
 30 the tow truck itself shall exceed the weight limitations
 31 permitted under this Chapter. During the towing operation,
 32 neither the tow truck nor the vehicle combination shall
 33 exceed 24,000 pounds on a single rear axle and 44,000 pounds

1 on a tandem rear axle, provided the towing vehicle:

2 (1) is specifically designed as a tow truck having
3 a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 18,000 pounds
4 and is equipped with air brakes, provided that air brakes
5 are required only if the towing vehicle is towing a
6 vehicle, semitrailer, or tractor-trailer combination that
7 is equipped with air brakes;

8 (2) is equipped with flashing, rotating, or
9 oscillating amber lights, visible for at least 500 feet
10 in all directions;

11 (3) is capable of utilizing the lighting and
12 braking systems of the disabled vehicle or combination of
13 vehicles; and

14 (4) does not engage in a tow exceeding 20 miles
15 from the initial point of wreck or disablement. Any
16 additional movement of the vehicles may occur only upon
17 issuance of authorization for that movement under the
18 provisions of Sections 15-301 through 15-319 of this
19 Code.

20 Gross weight limits shall not apply to the combination of
21 the tow truck and vehicles being towed. The tow truck
22 license plate must cover the operating empty weight of the
23 tow truck only. The weight of each vehicle being towed shall
24 be covered by a valid license plate issued to the owner or
25 operator of the vehicle being towed and displayed on that
26 vehicle. If no valid plate issued to the owner or operator of
27 that vehicle is displayed on that vehicle, or the plate
28 displayed on that vehicle does not cover the weight of the
29 vehicle, the weight of the vehicle shall be covered by the
30 third tow truck plate issued to the owner or operator of the
31 tow truck and temporarily affixed to the vehicle being towed.

32 The Department may by rule or regulation prescribe
33 additional requirements. However, nothing in this Code shall
34 prohibit a tow truck under instructions of a police officer

1 from legally clearing a disabled vehicle, that may be in
2 violation of weight limitations of this Chapter, from the
3 roadway to the berm or shoulder of the highway. If in the
4 opinion of the police officer that location is unsafe, the
5 officer is authorized to have the disabled vehicle towed to
6 the nearest place of safety.

7 For the purpose of this subsection, gross vehicle weight
8 rating, or GVWR, shall mean the value specified by the
9 manufacturer as the loaded weight of the tow truck.

10 (e) No vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with
11 pneumatic tires shall be operated, unladen or with load, upon
12 the highways of this State in violation of the provisions of
13 any permit issued under the provisions of Sections 15-301
14 through 15-319 of this Chapter.

15 (f) On designated Class I, II, or III highways and the
16 National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, no
17 vehicle or combination of vehicles with pneumatic tires may
18 be operated, unladen or with load, when the total weight on
19 the road surface exceeds the following: 20,000 pounds on a
20 single axle; 34,000 pounds on a tandem axle with no axle
21 within the tandem exceeding 20,000 pounds; 80,000 pounds
22 gross weight for vehicle combinations of 5 or more axles; or
23 a total weight on a group of 2 or more consecutive axles in
24 excess of that weight produced by the application of the
25 following formula: $W = 500 \text{ times the sum of } (LN \text{ divided by}$
26 $N-1) + 12N + 36$, where "W" equals overall total weight on any
27 group of 2 or more consecutive axles to the nearest 500
28 pounds, "L" equals the distance measured to the nearest foot
29 between extremes of any group of 2 or more consecutive axles,
30 and "N" equals the number of axles in the group under
31 consideration.

32 The above formula when expressed in tabular form results
33 in allowable loads as follows:

34 Distance measured

1 to the nearest
 2 foot between the
 3 extremes of any
 4 group of 2 or
 5 more consecutive
 6 axles

Maximum weight in pounds
 of any group of
 2 or more consecutive axles

7	feet	2 axles	3 axles	4 axles	5 axles	6 axles
8	4	34,000				
9	5	34,000				
10	6	34,000				
11	7	34,000				
12	8	38,000*	42,000			
13	9	39,000	42,500			
14	10	40,000	43,500			
15	11		44,000			
16	12		45,000	50,000		
17	13		45,500	50,500		
18	14		46,500	51,500		
19	15		47,000	52,000		
20	16		48,000	52,500	58,000	
21	17		48,500	53,500	58,500	
22	18		49,500	54,000	59,000	
23	19		50,000	54,500	60,000	
24	20		51,000	55,500	60,500	66,000
25	21		51,500	56,000	61,000	66,500
26	22		52,500	56,500	61,500	67,000
27	23		53,000	57,500	62,500	68,000
28	24		54,000	58,000	63,000	68,500
29	25		54,500	58,500	63,500	69,000
30	26		55,500	59,500	64,000	69,500
31	27		56,000	60,000	65,000	70,000
32	28		57,000	60,500	65,500	71,000
33	29		57,500	61,500	66,000	71,500
34	30		58,500	62,000	66,500	72,000

1	31	59,000	62,500	67,500	72,500
2	32	60,000	63,500	68,000	73,000
3	33		64,000	68,500	74,000
4	34		64,500	69,000	74,500
5	35		65,500	70,000	75,000
6	36		66,000	70,500	75,500
7	37		66,500	71,000	76,000
8	38		67,500	72,000	77,000
9	39		68,000	72,500	77,500
10	40		68,500	73,000	78,000
11	41		69,500	73,500	78,500
12	42		70,000	74,000	79,000
13	43		70,500	75,000	80,000
14	44		71,500	75,500	
15	45		72,000	76,000	
16	46		72,500	76,500	
17	47		73,500	77,500	
18	48		74,000	78,000	
19	49		74,500	78,500	
20	50		75,500	79,000	
21	51		76,000	80,000	
22	52		76,500		
23	53		77,500		
24	54		78,000		
25	55		78,500		
26	56		79,500		
27	57		80,000		

28 *If the distance between 2 axles is 96 inches or less, the 2
 29 axles are tandem axles and the maximum total weight may not
 30 exceed 34,000 pounds, notwithstanding the higher limit
 31 resulting from the application of the formula.

32 Vehicles not in a combination having more than 4 axles
 33 may not exceed the weight in the table in this subsection (f)
 34 for 4 axles measured between the extreme axles of the

1 vehicle.

2 Vehicles in a combination having more than 6 axles may
3 not exceed the weight in the table in this subsection (f) for
4 6 axles measured between the extreme axles of the
5 combination.

6 Local authorities and ~~road district highway~~
7 ~~commissioners~~, with respect to streets and highways under
8 their jurisdiction, without additional fees, may also by
9 ordinance or resolution allow the weight limitations of this
10 subsection, provided the maximum gross weight on any one axle
11 shall not exceed 20,000 pounds and the maximum total weight
12 on any tandem axle shall not exceed 34,000 pounds, on
13 designated highways when appropriate regulatory signs giving
14 notice are erected upon the street or highway or portion of
15 any street or highway affected by the ordinance or
16 resolution.

17 The following are exceptions to the above formula:

18 (1) Two consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry
19 a total weight of 34,000 pounds each if the overall
20 distance between the first and last axles of the
21 consecutive sets of tandem axles is 36 feet or more.

22 (2) Vehicles for which a different limit is
23 established and posted in accordance with Section 15-316
24 of this Code.

25 (3) Vehicles for which the Department of
26 Transportation and local authorities issue overweight
27 permits under authority of Section 15-301 of this Code.
28 These vehicles are not subject to the bridge formula.

29 (4) Tow trucks subject to the conditions provided
30 in subsection (d) may not exceed 24,000 pounds on a
31 single rear axle or 44,000 pounds on a tandem rear axle.

32 (5) A tandem axle on a 3-axle truck registered as a
33 Special Hauling Vehicle, manufactured prior to or in the
34 model year of 2004, and registered in Illinois prior to

1 January 1, 2005, with a distance between 2 axles in a
2 series greater than 72 inches but not more than 96 inches
3 may not exceed a total weight of 36,000 pounds and
4 neither axle of the series may exceed 18,000 pounds.

5 (6) A truck not in combination, equipped with a
6 self compactor or an industrial roll-off hoist and
7 roll-off container, used exclusively for garbage or
8 refuse operations, may, when laden, transmit upon the
9 road surface, except when on part of the National System
10 of Interstate and Defense Highways, the following maximum
11 weights: 22,000 pounds on a single axle; 40,000 pounds on
12 a tandem axle; 36,000 pounds gross weight on a 2-axle
13 vehicle; 54,000 pounds gross weight on a 3-axle vehicle.
14 This vehicle is not subject to the bridge formula.

15 (7) Combinations of vehicles, registered as Special
16 Hauling Vehicles that include a semitrailer manufactured
17 prior to or in the model year of 2004, and registered in
18 Illinois prior to January 1, 2005, having 5 axles with a
19 distance of 42 feet or less between extreme axles, may
20 not exceed the following maximum weights: 18,000 pounds
21 on a single axle; 32,000 pounds on a tandem axle; and
22 72,000 pounds gross weight. This combination of vehicles
23 is not subject to the bridge formula. For all those
24 combinations of vehicles that include a semitrailer
25 manufactured after the effective date of this amendatory
26 Act of the 92nd General Assembly, the overall distance
27 between the first and last axles of the 2 sets of tandems
28 must be 18 feet 6 inches or more. Any combination of
29 vehicles that has had its cargo container replaced in its
30 entirety after December 31, 2004 may not exceed the
31 weights allowed by the bridge formula.

32 No vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with other
33 than pneumatic tires may be operated, unladen or with load,
34 upon the highways of this State when the gross weight on the

1 road surface through any wheel exceeds 800 pounds per inch
2 width of tire tread or when the gross weight on the road
3 surface through any axle exceeds 16,000 pounds.

4 (f-1) A vehicle and load not exceeding 73,280 pounds is
5 allowed access as follows:

6 (1) From any State designated highway onto any
7 county, township, or municipal highway for a distance of
8 5 highway miles for the purpose of loading and unloading,
9 provided:

10 (A) The vehicle and load does not exceed 8
11 feet 6 inches in width and 65 feet overall length.

12 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

13 (C) The route is not being used as a
14 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

15 (2) From any State designated highway onto any
16 county or township highway for a distance of 5 highway
17 miles, or any municipal highway for a distance of one
18 highway mile for the purpose of food, fuel, repairs, and
19 rest, provided:

20 (A) The vehicle and load does not exceed 8
21 feet 6 inches in width and 65 feet overall length.

22 (B) There is no sign prohibiting that access.

23 (C) The route is not being used as a
24 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

25 (f-2) A vehicle and load greater than 73,280 pounds in
26 weight but not exceeding 80,000 pounds is allowed access as
27 follows:

28 (1) From a Class I highway onto any street or
29 highway for a distance of one highway mile for the
30 purpose of loading, unloading, food, fuel, repairs, and
31 rest, provided there is no sign prohibiting that access.

32 (2) From a Class I, II, or III highway onto any
33 State highway or any local designated highway for a
34 distance of 5 highway miles for the purpose of loading,

1 unloading, food, fuel, repairs, and rest.

2 Section 5-35 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act
3 relating to procedures for rulemaking shall not apply to the
4 designation of highways under this subsection.

5 (g) No person shall operate a vehicle or combination of
6 vehicles over a bridge or other elevated structure
7 constituting part of a highway with a gross weight that is
8 greater than the maximum weight permitted by the Department,
9 when the structure is sign posted as provided in this
10 Section.

11 (h) The Department upon request from any local authority
12 shall, or upon its own initiative may, conduct an
13 investigation of any bridge or other elevated structure
14 constituting a part of a highway, and if it finds that the
15 structure cannot with safety to itself withstand the weight
16 of vehicles otherwise permissible under this Code the
17 Department shall determine and declare the maximum weight of
18 vehicles that the structures can withstand, and shall cause
19 or permit suitable signs stating maximum weight to be erected
20 and maintained before each end of the structure. No person
21 shall operate a vehicle or combination of vehicles over any
22 structure with a gross weight that is greater than the posted
23 maximum weight.

24 (i) Upon the trial of any person charged with a
25 violation of subsections (g) or (h) of this Section, proof of
26 the determination of the maximum allowable weight by the
27 Department and the existence of the signs, constitutes
28 conclusive evidence of the maximum weight that can be
29 maintained with safety to the bridge or structure.

30 (Source: P.A. 92-417, eff. 1-1-02.)

31 (625 ILCS 5/15-316) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 15-316)

32 Sec. 15-316. When the Department, or local authority ~~or~~
33 ~~road-district-highway-commissioner~~ may restrict right to use

1 highways.

2 (a) Local authorities and---read---district--highway
 3 eommissioners with respect to highways under their
 4 jurisdiction may by ordinance or resolution prohibit the
 5 operation of vehicles upon any such highway or impose
 6 restrictions as to the weight of vehicles to be operated upon
 7 any such highway, for a total period of not to exceed 90 days
 8 in any one calendar year, whenever any said highway by reason
 9 of deterioration, rain, snow, or other climate conditions
 10 will be seriously damaged or destroyed unless the use of
 11 vehicles thereon is prohibited or the permissible weights
 12 thereof reduced.

13 (b) The local authority er--read--district--highway
 14 eommissioner enacting any such ordinance or resolution shall
 15 erect or cause to be erected and maintained signs designating
 16 the provision of the ordinance or resolution at each end of
 17 that portion of any highway affected thereby, and the
 18 ordinance or resolution shall not be effective unless and
 19 until such signs are erected and maintained.

20 (c) Local authorities and---read---district--highway
 21 eommissioners with respect to highways under their
 22 jurisdiction may also, by ordinance or resolution, prohibit
 23 the operation of trucks or other commercial vehicles, or may
 24 impose limitations as the weight thereof, on designated
 25 highways, which prohibitions and limitations shall be
 26 designated by appropriate signs placed on such highways.

27 (c-1) (Blank).

28 (d) The Department shall likewise have authority as
 29 hereinbefore granted to local authorities and--read--district
 30 highway--eommissioners to determine by resolution and to
 31 impose restrictions as to the weight of vehicles operated
 32 upon any highway under the jurisdiction of said department,
 33 and such restrictions shall be effective when signs giving
 34 notice thereof are erected upon the highway or portion of any

1 highway affected by such resolution.

2 (d-1) (Blank).

3 (d-2) (Blank).

4 (e) When any vehicle is operated in violation of this
5 Section, the owner or driver of the vehicle shall be deemed
6 guilty of a violation and either the owner or the driver of
7 the vehicle may be prosecuted for the violation. Any person,
8 firm, or corporation convicted of violating this Section
9 shall be fined \$50 for any weight exceeding the posted limit
10 up to the axle or gross weight limit allowed a vehicle as
11 provided for in subsections (a) or (b) of Section 15-111 and
12 \$75 per every 500 pounds or fraction thereof for any weight
13 exceeding that which is provided for in subsections (a) or
14 (b) of Section 15-111.

15 (f) A municipality is authorized to enforce a county
16 weight limit ordinance applying to county highways within its
17 corporate limits and is entitled to the proceeds of any fines
18 collected from the enforcement.

19 (Source: P.A. 92-417, eff. 1-1-02.)

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