

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 1-145.001 and adding Section 11-1403.5 as
6 follows:

7 (625 ILCS 5/1-145.001) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1-148)

8 Sec. 1-145.001. Motor driven cycle. Every motorcycle and
9 every motor scooter with less than 150 cubic centimeter
10 piston displacement including motorized pedalcycles, but not
11 including motorized scooters as defined in Section 11-1403.5.
12 (Source: P.A. 90-89, eff. 1-1-98.)

13 (625 ILCS 5/11-1403.5 new)

14 Sec. 11-1403.5. Operation of motorized scooters on
15 streets, roads, highways, and sidewalks.

16 (a) As used in this Section, "motorized scooter" means a
17 device upon which a person may ride consisting of a footboard
18 between 2 end wheels, controlled by an upright steering
19 handle attached to the front wheel, powered by a motor having
20 a maximum piston displacement of less than 25 cubic
21 centimeters or an electric driven motor, and capable of a
22 maximum speed of no more than 25 miles per hour on a flat
23 surface.

24 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, it is
25 unlawful for any person to drive or operate any motorized
26 scooter upon any street, highway, roadway, or sidewalk in
27 this State.

28 (c) A municipality, township, county, or other unit of
29 local government may authorize, by ordinance or resolution,
30 the operation of motorized scooters on roadways and sidewalks

1 under their respective jurisdictions. The Department may
2 authorize the operation of motorized scooters on the roadways
3 and under its jurisdiction.

4 Before permitting the operation of motorised scooters on
5 its roadway or sidewalk, a municipality, township, county, or
6 other unit of local government, or the Department with regard
7 to a roadway, must consider the volume, speed, and character
8 of vehicular traffic on the roadway or the volume of
9 pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk and determine whether
10 motorized scooters may safely travel on the roadway or
11 sidewalk. Upon determining that motorized scooters may
12 safely operate on a roadway or sidewalk, and upon the
13 adoption of an ordinance or resolution by a municipality,
14 township, county, or other unit of local government, or upon
15 authorization by the Department with regard to a roadway,
16 appropriate signs must be posted.

17 If a roadway or sidewalk is under the jurisdiction of
18 more than one unit of government, motorized scooters may not
19 be operated on the roadway or sidewalk unless each unit of
20 government agrees and takes action as provided in this
21 subsection (c).

22 (d) A person who operates or is in actual physical
23 control of a motorized scooter on a roadway while under the
24 influence of alcohol, drugs, intoxicating compounds, or a
25 combination of them is subject to Sections 11-500 through
26 11-502.

27 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
28 becoming law.