1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding Section 11-1514.5 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1514.5 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 11-1514.5. Bicycle riding events.</u>
- 8 (a) Bicycle riding events, whether for charitable,
 9 fundraising, or tourism purposes, that are held fully or
 10 partially on a highway shall not be unlawful when a riding
 11 event has been approved by the State or local authorities on a
 12 highway under their respective jurisdictions. Approval of
 13 bicycle highway riding events shall be granted only under
 14 conditions that assure reasonable safety for all participants,
- spectators, and other highway users.
- 16 <u>(b) By agreement with the approving authority,</u>
 17 participants in an approved bicycle highway riding event may be
 18 exempted from compliance with any traffic laws that would
 19 otherwise be applicable, provided that traffic control is
- 20 <u>adequate to assure the safety of all highway users.</u>