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HB4640

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

620 ILCS 5/42	from Ch.	15 1/2,	par. 22.42
620 ILCS 5/43	from Ch.	15 1/2,	par. 22.43
620 ILCS 5/45	from Ch.	15 1/2,	par. 22.45

Amends the Illinois Aeronautics Act. Removes provisions requiring airmen to register a federal license, certificate, or permit with the Division of Aeronautics of the Department of Transportation and receive a State certificate of registration to operate an aircraft within the State. Provides that the Department of Transportation may still suspend or revoke the flying privileges of an airman who (i) is not qualified; (ii) has willfully violated the State or federal laws or regulations pertaining to aeronautics; (iii) is addicted to the use of narcotics or other habit forming drug, or to the excessive use of alcohol; (iv) has made any false statement in an application for registration of a federal aircraft license, certificate, or permit; or (v) has been guilty of other conduct, acts, or practices dangerous to the public safety or the safety of those engaged in aeronautics.

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AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Aeronautics Act is amended by 5 changing Sections 42, 43, and 45 as follows:

6 (620 ILCS 5/42) (from Ch. 15 1/2, par. 22.42)

Sec. 42. Regulation of aircraft, airmen, and airports.

8 (a) The general public interest and safety, the safety of 9 persons operating, using, or traveling in, aircraft, and of persons and property on the ground, and the interest of 10 11 aeronautical progress require that aircraft operated within this State should be airworthy, that airmen should be properly 12 13 qualified, and that air navigation facilities should be 14 suitable for the purposes for which they are designed. The purposes of this Act require that the Department should be 15 16 enabled to exercise the powers of regulation and supervision 17 herein granted. The advantage of uniform regulation makes it desirable that aircraft operated within this State should 18 19 conform with respect to design, construction, and 20 airworthiness to the standards prescribed by the United States 21 Government with respect to civil aircraft subject to its 22 jurisdiction and that persons engaging in aeronautics within this State should have the qualifications necessary for 23

obtaining and holding appropriate airman certificates of the United States. It is desirable and right that all applicable fees and taxes shall be paid with respect to aircraft operated within this State.

5 (b) In light of the findings in subsection (a), the 6 Department is authorized:

7 (1) To require the registration, every 2 years, of 8 licenses, certificates or permits of federal civil 9 aircraft engaged in air navigation within this State, and 10 of airmen engaged in aeronautics within this State, and to 11 issue certificates of such registration. These 12 certificates of registration constitute the authorization of such aircraft and airmen for operations within this 13 State to the extent permitted by the federal licenses, 14 15 certificates or permits so registered. It shall charge a 16 fee, payable every 2 years, for the registration of each 17 federal license, certificate or permit of \$10 for each airman's certificate and \$20 for 18 each aircraft 19 certificate. It may accept as evidence of the holding of a 20 federal license, certificate or permit the verified 21 application of the airman or the owner of the aircraft, 22 which application shall contain such information as the 23 Department may by rule, ruling, regulation, order or 24 decision prescribe. The Department's authority to register 25 aircraft or to issue certificates of registration is limited as follows: 26

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(i) Except as to any aircraft vehicle purchased 1 2 before March 8, 1963, the Department, in the case of the first registration of any aircraft vehicle for any 3 given owner on or after March 8, 1963, may not issue a 4 5 certificate of registration with respect to anv aircraft vehicle until after the Department has been 6 satisfied that no tax under the Use Tax Act, the 7 8 Aircraft Use Tax Law, the Municipal Use Tax Act, or the 9 Home Rule County Use Tax Law is owing by reason of the 10 use of the vehicle in Illinois or that any tax so 11 imposed has been paid. A receipt issued under those 12 Acts by the Department of Revenue constitutes proof of 13 payment of the tax. For the purpose of this paragraph, "aircraft vehicle" means a single aircraft. 14

(ii) If the proof of payment of the tax or of nonliability therefor is, after the issuance of the certificate of registration, found to be invalid, the Department shall revoke the certificate and require that the certificate be returned to the Department.

20 (2) To classify and approve airports and restricted 21 landing areas and any alterations or extensions thereof. 22 Certificates of approval issued pursuant to this 23 paragraph, or pursuant to any prior law, shall be issued in 24 the name of the applicant and shall be transferable upon a 25 change of ownership or control of the airport or restricted 26 landing area only after approval of the Department. No 1

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charge or fee shall be made or imposed for any kind of certificate of approval or a transfer thereof.

3 (3) To revoke, temporarily or permanently, any
4 certificate of registration of an aircraft or airman issued
5 by it, or to refuse to issue any such certificate of
6 registration, when it shall reasonably determine that any
7 aircraft is not airworthy. , or that any airman:

8 (4) To suspend or revoke, temporarily or permanently,
9 the flying privileges of any airman who:

(i) is not qualified;

(ii) has willfully violated the laws of this State pertaining to aeronautics or any rules, rulings, regulations, orders, or decisions issued pursuant thereto, or any Federal law or any rule or regulation issued pursuant thereto;

16 (iii) is addicted to the use of narcotics or other 17 habit forming drug, or to the excessive use of 18 intoxicating liquor;

19 (iv) has made any false statement in any
20 application for registration of a federal <u>aircraft</u>
21 license, certificate or permit; or

(v) has been guilty of other conduct, acts, or
practices dangerous to the public safety or the safety
of those engaged in aeronautics.

(c) The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend thecertificate of any person who fails to file a return, or to pay

the tax, penalty or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any final assessment of tax, penalty or interest, as required by any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue, until such time as the requirements of any such tax Act are satisfied.

6 (Source: P.A. 92-341, eff. 8-10-01; 93-24, eff. 6-20-03.)

7 (620 ILCS 5/43) (from Ch. 15 1/2, par. 22.43)

8 43. Operations unlawful without license Sec. or 9 certificate. Except as hereinafter provided, when such 10 registration is required by the Department, it shall be 11 unlawful for any person to operate or cause or authorize to be 12 operated any civil aircraft within this State unless such 13 aircraft has an appropriate effective license, certificate or 14 permit issued by the United States Government for which a 15 certificate of registration has been issued by the Department 16 which is in full force and effect, and it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in aeronautics as an airman in this State 17 18 unless he has obtained from the Department a certificate of 19 registration of an appropriate effective airman's license, 20 certificate or permit issued by the United States Government 21 authorizing him to engage in the particular class of 22 aeronautics in which he is engaged, which certificate of registration is in full force and effect. 23

Aircraft and airmen that are not required to be licensed, certificated, or permitted by the United States government and

1 that have not received a license, certificate, or permit are 2 not required to register with the Department before engaging in 3 aeronautics in Illinois.

4 (Source: P.A. 92-341, eff. 8-10-01.)

5 (620 ILCS 5/45) (from Ch. 15 1/2, par. 22.45)

6 Sec. 45. Exhibition of licenses and certificates.

7 federal license, certificate, or permit, and the The evidence of registration in this or another state, if any, 8 9 required for an airman shall be kept in the personal possession 10 of the airman when he is operating within this State and must 11 be presented for inspection upon the demand of any passenger, 12 or any peace officer of this State, any officer or authorized employee of the Department, or any official, manager or person 13 14 in charge of any airport in this State upon which he shall 15 land, or upon the reasonable request of any other person. The 16 federal aircraft license, certificate, or permit, and the evidence of registration in this or another state, if any, 17 required for aircraft must be carried in every aircraft 18 operating in this State at all times and must be conspicuously 19 20 posted therein where it may readily be seen by passengers or 21 inspectors and must be presented for inspection upon the demand 22 of any passenger, any peace officer of this State, any officer 23 or authorized employee of the Department, or any official, 24 manager, or person in charge of any airport in this State upon 25 which it shall land, or upon the reasonable request of any

- 1 person.
- 2 (Source: Laws 1945, p. 335.)