

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB5721

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/1-159.1

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1-159.1

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Adds autism to the definition of disability.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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 changing

Section 1-159.1 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/1-159.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1-159.1)

Sec. 1-159.1. Person with disabilities. A natural person who, as determined by a licensed physician, by a physician assistant who has been delegated the authority to make this determination by his or her supervising physician, or by an advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician that authorizes the advanced practice nurse to make this determination: (1) cannot walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair, or other assistive device; (2) is restricted by lung disease to such an extent that his or her forced (respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than 60 mm/hg on room air at rest; (3) uses portable oxygen; (4) has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class III or Class IV, according to standards set by the American

- 1 Association; (5) is severely limited in the person's ability to
- 2 walk due to an arthritic, neurological, oncological, or
- 3 orthopedic condition; (6) cannot walk 200 feet without stopping
- 4 to rest because of one of the above 5 conditions; or (7) is
- 5 missing a hand or arm or has permanently lost the use of a hand
- 6 or arm; or (8) is autistic.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 98-405, eff. 1-1-14.)