



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB1261

Introduced 1/28/2025, by Rep. John M. Cabello

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/4-102

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 4-102

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Adds language providing that a person who damages a vehicle or who damages or removes any part of a vehicle commits a misdemeanor if the person does so with intent and without the right to do so (instead of "without authority to do so"). Adds language providing that a person who tampers with a vehicle or goes in it, on it, or works to attempt to work any of its parts, or sets or attempts to set it in motion commits a misdemeanor if he does so without right to do so and with intent to commit a crime (instead of "without authority to do so").

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1 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 Vehicle Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 4-102 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/4-102) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 4-102)

7 Sec. 4-102. Offenses relating to motor vehicles and other  
8 vehicles - Misdemeanors.

9 (a) It is a violation of this Chapter for:

10 (1) A person, with intent and without the right to do  
11 so ~~without authority to do so~~, to damage a vehicle or to  
12 damage or remove any part of a vehicle;

13 (2) A person, without the right to do so and with the  
14 intent to commit a crime ~~without authority to do so~~, to  
15 tamper with a vehicle or go in it, on it, or work or  
16 attempt to work any of its parts, or set or attempt to set  
17 it in motion;

18 (3) A person to fail to report a vehicle as unclaimed  
19 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-107.

20 (b) Sentence. A person convicted of a violation of this  
21 Section shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. A person  
22 convicted of a violation of this Section a second or  
23 subsequent time, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.

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1 (Source: P.A. 86-1209.)