

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 6-104 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/6-104) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-104)

7 Sec. 6-104. Classification of Driver - Special  
8 Restrictions.

9 (a) A driver's license issued under the authority of this  
10 Act shall indicate the classification for which the applicant  
11 therefor has qualified by examination or by such other means  
12 that the Secretary of State shall prescribe. Driver's license  
13 classifications shall be prescribed by rule or regulation  
14 promulgated by the Secretary of State and such may specify  
15 classifications as to operation of motor vehicles of the first  
16 division, or of those of the second division, whether operated  
17 singly or in lawful combination, and whether for-hire or  
18 not-for-hire, and may specify such other classifications as  
19 the Secretary deems necessary.

20 No person shall operate a motor vehicle unless such person  
21 has a valid license with a proper classification to permit the  
22 operation of such vehicle, except that any person may operate  
23 a moped if such person has a valid current Illinois driver's

1 license, regardless of classification.

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any  
3 rule adopted under this Code, a nonresident who is employed as  
4 a public safety worker, as defined in Section 6-117.2, may  
5 operate in this State an authorized emergency vehicle, as  
6 defined in Section 1-105, if the nonresident possesses the  
7 license class required by the nonresident's state of residence  
8 to operate similar equipment.

9 (b) No person who is under the age of 21 years or has had  
10 less than 1 year of driving experience shall drive: (1) in  
11 connection with the operation of any school, day camp, summer  
12 camp, or nursery school, any public or private motor vehicle  
13 for transporting children to or from any school, day camp,  
14 summer camp, or nursery school, or (2) any motor vehicle of the  
15 second division when in use for the transportation of persons  
16 for compensation.

17 (c) No person who is under the age of 18 years shall be  
18 issued a license for the purpose of transporting property for  
19 hire, or for the purpose of transporting persons for  
20 compensation in a motor vehicle of the first division.

21 (d) No person shall drive: (1) a school bus when  
22 transporting school children unless such person possesses a  
23 valid school bus driver permit or is accompanied and  
24 supervised, for the specific purpose of training prior to  
25 routine operation of a school bus, by a person who has held a  
26 valid school bus driver permit for at least one year; or (2)

1 any other vehicle owned or operated by or for a public or  
2 private school, or a school operated by a religious  
3 institution, where such vehicle is being used over a regularly  
4 scheduled route for the transportation of persons enrolled as  
5 a student in grade 12 or below, in connection with any activity  
6 of the entities unless such person possesses a valid school  
7 bus driver permit.

8 (d-5) No person may drive a bus that does not meet the  
9 special requirements for school buses provided in Sections  
10 12-801, 12-802, 12-803, and 12-805 of this Code that has been  
11 chartered for the sole purpose of transporting students  
12 regularly enrolled in grade 12 or below to or from  
13 interscholastic athletic or interscholastic or school  
14 sponsored activities unless the person has a valid and  
15 properly classified commercial driver's license as provided in  
16 subsection (c-1) of Section 6-508 of this Code in addition to  
17 any other permit or license that is required to operate that  
18 bus. This subsection (d-5) does not apply to any bus driver  
19 employed by a public transportation provider authorized to  
20 conduct local or interurban transportation of passengers when  
21 the bus is not traveling a specific school bus route but is on  
22 a regularly scheduled route for the transporting of other fare  
23 paying passengers.

24 A person may operate a chartered bus described in this  
25 subsection (d-5) if he or she is not disqualified from driving  
26 a chartered bus of that type and if he or she holds a CDL that

1 is:

2 (1) issued to him or her by any other state or  
3 jurisdiction in accordance with 49 CFR 383;

4 (2) not suspended, revoked, or canceled; and

5 (3) valid under 49 CFR 383, subpart F, for the type of  
6 vehicle being driven.

7 A person may also operate a chartered bus described in  
8 this subsection (d-5) if he or she holds a valid CDL and a  
9 valid school bus driver permit that was issued on or before  
10 December 31, 2003.

11 (e) No person shall drive a religious organization bus  
12 unless such person has a valid and properly classified drivers  
13 license or a valid school bus driver permit.

14 (f) No person shall drive a motor vehicle for the purpose  
15 of providing transportation for the elderly in connection with  
16 the activities of any public or private organization unless  
17 such person has a valid and properly classified driver's  
18 license issued by the Secretary of State.

19 (g) No person shall drive a bus which meets the special  
20 requirements for school buses provided in Section 12-801,  
21 12-802, 12-803 and 12-805 of this Code for the purpose of  
22 transporting persons 18 years of age or less in connection  
23 with any youth camp licensed under the Youth Camp Act or any  
24 child care facility licensed under the Child Care Act of 1969  
25 unless such person possesses a valid school bus driver permit  
26 or is accompanied and supervised, for the specific purpose of

1 training prior to routine operation of a school bus, by a  
2 person who has held a valid school bus driver permit for at  
3 least one year; however, a person who has a valid and properly  
4 classified driver's license issued by the Secretary of State  
5 may operate a school bus for the purpose of transporting  
6 persons 18 years of age or less in connection with any such  
7 youth camp or child care facility if the "SCHOOL BUS" signs are  
8 covered or concealed and the stop signal arm and flashing  
9 signal systems are not operable through normal controls.

10 (h) No person shall operate an autocycle unless he or she  
11 has a valid Class D driver's license.

12 (Source: P.A. 98-777, eff. 1-1-15.)