



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB2414

by Rep. David A. Welter

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-1435 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a person shall not operate a vehicle upon any street, roadway, or highway that is closed due to a rise in water level and is clearly marked by a sign stating the street, roadway, or highway is closed. Provides that a person who violates the new provision is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and shall be fined up to \$2,000. Provides that except for any cost of transporting the rescued person to a hospital or other facility for treatment of injuries, a person shall pay restitution to reimburse costs incurred in a rescue operation. Defines "rescue operation" as a response by a law enforcement officer, an ambulance, a firefighter carried on the rolls of a regularly constituted fire department or fire protection district, a firefighter of a volunteer fire department, or a member of a recognized not-for-profit rescue or emergency medical service provider. Provides that moneys shall be deposited into specific funds if the rescuer is an agent of either the Department of State Police or the Department of Natural Resources.

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CORRECTIONAL  
BUDGET AND  
IMPACT NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 adding  
5 Section 11-1435 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1435 new)

7 Sec. 11-1435. Flooded roads.

8 (a) As used in this Section, "rescue operation" means a  
9 response by a law enforcement officer, an ambulance, a  
10 firefighter carried on the rolls of a regularly constituted  
11 fire department or fire protection district, a firefighter of a  
12 volunteer fire department, or a member of a recognized  
13 not-for-profit rescue or emergency medical service provider.

14 (b) A person shall not operate a vehicle upon any street,  
15 roadway, or highway in this State if the street, roadway, or  
16 highway is: (i) closed due to a rise in water level, including,  
17 but not limited to, groundwater or any overflow of water; and  
18 (ii) clearly marked by a sign stating that the street, roadway,  
19 or highway is closed.

20 (c) A person who violates subsection (a) is guilty of a  
21 Class A misdemeanor and shall be fined up to \$2,000. Except for  
22 any cost of transporting the rescued person to a hospital or  
23 other facility for treatment of injuries, a person who violates

1 subsection (a) shall pay restitution to reimburse costs  
2 incurred in a rescue operation. If the rescuer is an agent of  
3 the Department of State Police, the moneys shall be deposited  
4 into the State Police Operations Assistance Fund. If the  
5 rescuer is an agent of the Department of Natural Resources, the  
6 moneys shall be deposited into the Conservation Police  
7 Operations Assistance Fund.