

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3772

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/12-207 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-207 625 ILCS 5/12-609 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-609

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires that the sale of a motor vehicle that bears equipment, markings, or other indicia of police authority include the removal of all spot lamps from the vehicle prior to delivery of that vehicle.

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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 Sections 12-207 and 12-609 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/12-207) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-207)
- 7 Sec. 12-207. Spot lamps and auxiliary driving lamps.
- 8 (a) Except as provided in Section 12-609, any Any motor
 9 vehicle may be equipped with not to exceed one spot lamp and
 10 every lighted spot lamp shall be so aimed and used upon
 11 approaching another vehicle that no part of the high-intensity
 12 portion of the beam will be directed to the left of the
 13 prolongation of the extreme left side of the vehicle nor more
- than 100 feet ahead of the vehicle.

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- (b) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not to exceed three auxiliary driving lamps mounted on the front at a height not less than 12 inches nor more than 42 inches above the level surface upon which the vehicle stands.
- 19 (c) The restrictions of subsections 12-207 (a) and 12-207 20 (b) of this Act shall not apply to authorized emergency
- vehicles or equipment used for snow and ice removal operations
- 22 if owned or operated by or for any governmental body.
- 23 (d) The minimum and maximum height restrictions prescribed

- in subsection (b) of Section 12-207 shall not apply to privately owned motor vehicles on which a snow plow is mounted, while in transit between or during snow and ice removal operations. This exemption shall apply only during the period from November 15 through April 1, and only when the snow plow blade, commonly referred to as a "moldboard", is properly and securely affixed to the front of the motor vehicle.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 85-1010.)

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- 9 (625 ILCS 5/12-609) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-609)
 - Sec. 12-609. (a) No official or employee of the State, any political subdivision thereof, any county, municipality, or local authority, and no owner or employee of any new vehicle dealer, used vehicle dealer, or vehicle auctioneer shall sell, trade or otherwise dispose of any motor vehicle bearing equipment, markings, or other indicia of police authority unless, prior to delivery of the vehicle, the equipment and markings have been sufficiently altered or obliterated to remove the appearance of such authority. A motor vehicle subject to this subsection shall have all spot lamps removed from the vehicle prior to delivery of the vehicle.
 - (b) A person may not operate on the highways of this State a vehicle bearing the equipment, markings, or other indicia of police authority, unless the vehicle is an authorized emergency vehicle as defined in Section 1-105 of this Code.
 - (c) This Section does not apply to vehicles bearing

- 1 indicia of police authority that are antique vehicles, as
- 2 defined in Section 1-102.1, and are registered as antique
- 3 vehicles, as provided in Section 3-804.
- 4 (c-5) Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a
- 5 manufacturer of authorized emergency vehicle equipment,
- 6 markings, or other indicia, or the manufacturer's
- 7 representative or authorized vendor, from temporarily mounting
- 8 the equipment, markings, or other indicia on a vehicle for
- 9 demonstration purposes only. If the equipment, markings, or
- 10 other indicia are not covered while the vehicle is operated
- 11 upon a highway, the vehicle shall display signage indicating
- that the vehicle is out of service or not an emergency vehicle.
- 13 The signage shall be displayed on all sides of the vehicle in
- 14 letters at least 2 inches tall and one-half inch wide.
- 15 (d) Any police officer is authorized to seize any vehicle
- 16 that is in violation of this Section and to impound that
- 17 vehicle, at the owner's expense, until any equipment,
- 18 markings, or other indicia of police authority have been
- 19 sufficiently removed, altered, or obliterated to remove the
- 20 appearance of police authority.
- 21 (e) A person convicted of violating this Section is guilty
- of a petty offense and subject to a fine of not less than \$500
- and not more than \$1,000.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 97-1173, eff. 1-1-14.)