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State of Illinois

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SB3406

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/2-112

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 2-112

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires the Secretary of State to include, in the Illinois Rules of the Road publication, information pertaining to the transportation of hazardous materials. Provides that the information shall include an image and description that details the various hazardous material placards used on vehicles that transport hazardous materials.

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AN ACT concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by 5 changing Section 2-112 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/2-112) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 2-112)

7 Sec. 2-112. Distribution of synopsis laws.

8 (a) The Secretary of State may publish a synopsis or 9 summary of the laws of this State regulating the operation of 10 vehicles and may deliver a copy thereof without charge with 11 each original vehicle registration and with each original 12 driver's license.

(b) The Secretary of State shall make any necessary revisions in its publications including, but not limited to, the Illinois Rules of the Road, to accurately conform its publications to the provisions of the Pedestrians with Disabilities Safety Act.

(c) The Secretary of State shall include, in the Illinois Rules of the Road publication, information advising drivers to use the Dutch Reach method when opening a vehicle door after parallel parking on a street (checking the rear-view mirror, checking the side-view mirror, then opening the door with the right hand, thereby reducing the risk of injuring a bicyclist 1 or opening the door in the path a vehicle approaching from 2 behind).

3 (d) The Secretary of State shall include, in the Illinois 4 Rules of the Road publication, information advising drivers to 5 use the zipper merge method when merging into a reduced number 6 of lanes (drivers in merging lanes are expected to use both 7 lanes to advance to the lane reduction point and merge at that 8 location, alternating turns).

9 (e) The Secretary of State, in consultation with the 10 Illinois State Police, shall include in the Illinois Rules of 11 the Road publication a description of law enforcement 12 procedures during traffic stops and the actions that a 13 motorist should take during a traffic stop, including 14 appropriate interactions with law enforcement officers.

15 (f) The Secretary of State shall include, in the Illinois Rules of Road publication, information advising drivers on 16 17 best practices related to stranded motorists. This may include, but is not limited to, how to safely pull the vehicle 18 19 out of traffic, activating hazard lights, when to remain in a 20 vehicle, how to safely exit a stranded vehicle, where to find a 21 safe place outside the stranded vehicle, and emergency numbers 22 to call for assistance.

23 (g) The Secretary of State shall include, in the Illinois
24 Rules of the Road publication, information pertaining to the
25 transportation of hazardous materials. The information shall
26 include an image and description that details the various

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- hazardous material placards used on vehicles that transport
 hazardous materials.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 102-455, eff. 1-1-22; 103-249, eff. 1-1-24.)