

1 AN ACT in a relation to vehicles.

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 3-802 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-802) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-802)

7 Sec. 3-802. Reclassifications and upgrades.

8 (a) Definitions. For the purposes of this Section, the  
9 following words shall have the meanings ascribed to them as  
10 follows:

11 "Reclassification" means changing the registration  
12 of a vehicle from one plate category to another.

13 "Upgrade" means increasing the registered weight of  
14 a vehicle within the same plate category.

15 (b) When reclassing the registration of a vehicle from  
16 one plate category to another, the owner shall receive credit  
17 for the unused portion of the present plate and be charged  
18 the current portion fees for the new plate. In addition, the  
19 appropriate replacement plate and replacement sticker fees  
20 shall be assessed.

21 (c) When upgrading the weight of a registration within  
22 the same plate category, the owner shall pay the difference  
23 in current period fees between the two plates. In addition,  
24 the appropriate replacement plate and replacement sticker  
25 fees shall be assessed. In the event new plates are not  
26 required, the corrected registration card fee shall be  
27 assessed.

28 (d) In the event the owner of the vehicle desires to  
29 change the registered weight and change the plate category,  
30 the owner shall receive credit for the unused portion of the  
31 registration fee of the current plate and pay the current

1 portion of the registration fee for the new plate, and in  
2 addition, pay the appropriate replacement plate and  
3 replacement sticker fees.

4 (e) Reclassing from one plate category to another plate  
5 category can be done only once within any registration  
6 period.

7 (f) No refunds shall be made in any of the circumstances  
8 found in subsection (b), subsection (c), or subsection (d);  
9 however, when reclassing from a flat rate plate to an  
10 apportioned plate, a refund may be issued if the applicant  
11 was issued the wrong plate originally and the credit amounts  
12 to an overpayment.

13 (g) In the event the registration of a vehicle  
14 registered under the mileage tax option is revoked, the owner  
15 shall be required to pay the annual registration fee in the  
16 new plate category and shall not receive any credit for the  
17 mileage plate fees.

18 (h) Certain special interest plates may be displayed on  
19 first division vehicles, second division vehicles weighing  
20 8,000 pounds or less, and recreational vehicles. Those  
21 plates can be transferred within those vehicle groups.

22 (i) Plates displayed on second division vehicles  
23 weighing 8,000 pounds or less and passenger vehicle plates  
24 may be reclassified from one division to the other.

25 (j) Other than in subsection (i), reclassing from one  
26 division to the other division is prohibited. In addition, a  
27 reclass from a motor vehicle to a trailer or a trailer to a  
28 motor vehicle is prohibited.

29 (Source: P.A. 89-245, eff. 1-1-96; 90-774, eff. 8-14-98.)

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
31 becoming law.