

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/6-106.1 625 ILCS 5/11-501 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-106.1 from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-501

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that applicants pay all application and fingerprinting fees. Provides that all fees paid for fingerprint processing services shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund and all other fees deposited into the Road Fund. Provides that an applicant for a school bus driver permit must not have been convicted of reckless driving, DUI, or reckless homicide resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle rather than having been convicted of these offenses within 3 years of the date of application. Provides that a third or subsequent offense constitutes a Class 4 non-probationable felony. Provides that a person shall be guilty of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof if the person committed a violation of Section 11-501 of the Code for the second time within 5 years (rather than a third or subsequent time).

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1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

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 6-106.1 and 11-501 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/6-106.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-106.1)
- 7 Sec. 6-106.1. School bus driver permit.
- (a) The Secretary of State shall issue a school bus driver 8 permit to those applicants who have met all the requirements of 9 the application and screening process under this Section to 10 insure the welfare and safety of children who are transported 11 on school buses throughout the State of Illinois. Applicants 12 shall obtain the proper application required by the Secretary 13 14 of State from their prospective or current employer and submit 15 the completed application to the prospective or current employer along with the necessary fingerprint submission as 16 17 required by the Department of State Police to conduct fingerprint based criminal background checks on current and 18 19 future information available in the state system and current 20 information available through the Federal Bureau 21 Investigation's system. Applicants who have completed the 22 fingerprinting requirements shall not be subjected to the 23 fingerprinting process when applying for subsequent permits or submitting proof of successful completion of the annual 24 25 refresher course. Individuals who on the effective date of this Act possess a valid school bus driver permit that has been 26 27 previously issued by the appropriate Regional 28 Superintendent not subject to the fingerprinting are 29 provisions of this Section as long as the permit remains valid 30 and does not lapse. The applicant shall be required to pay all related application and fingerprinting fees as established by 31 32 rule including, but not limited to, the amounts established by

the Department of State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to process fingerprint based criminal background investigations. All fees paid for fingerprint processing services under this Section shall be deposited into the State Police Services Fund for the cost incurred in processing the fingerprint based criminal background investigations. All other fees paid under this Section shall be deposited into the Road Fund for the purpose of defraying the costs of the Secretary of State in administering this Section. All applicants must:

- 1. be 21 years of age or older;
- 2. possess a valid and properly classified driver's license issued by the Secretary of State;
- 3. possess a valid driver's license, which has not been revoked, suspended, or canceled for 3 years immediately prior to the date of application, or have not had his or her commercial motor vehicle driving privileges disqualified within the 3 years immediately prior to the date of application;
- 4. successfully pass a written test, administered by the Secretary of State, on school bus operation, school bus safety, and special traffic laws relating to school buses and submit to a review of the applicant's driving habits by the Secretary of State at the time the written test is given;
- 5. demonstrate ability to exercise reasonable care in the operation of school buses in accordance with rules promulgated by the Secretary of State;
- 6. demonstrate physical fitness to operate school buses by submitting the results of a medical examination, including tests for drug use for each applicant not subject to such testing pursuant to federal law, conducted by a licensed physician, an advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician which authorizes him or her to perform medical examinations, or a physician assistant who has been

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delegated the performance of medical examinations by his or her supervising physician within 90 days of the date of application according to standards promulgated by the Secretary of State;

- 7. affirm under penalties of perjury that he or she has not made a false statement or knowingly concealed a material fact in any application for permit;
- 8. have completed an initial classroom course, including first aid procedures, in school bus driver safety as promulgated by the Secretary of State; and after satisfactory completion of said initial course an annual refresher course; such courses and the agency or organization conducting such courses shall be approved by the Secretary of State; failure to complete the annual refresher course, shall result in cancellation of the permit until such course is completed;
- 9. not have been convicted of 2 or more serious traffic offenses, as defined by rule, within one year prior to the date of application that may endanger the life or safety of any of the driver's passengers within the duration of the permit period;
- 10. not have been convicted of reckless driving, driving while intoxicated, or reckless homicide resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle within 3 years of the date of application;
- 11. not have been convicted of committing or attempting 26 27 to commit any one or more of the following offenses: (i) 28 those offenses defined in Sections 9-1, 9-1.2, 9-2, 9-2.1, 9-3, 9-3.2, 9-3.3, 10-1, 10-2, 10-3.1, 10-4, 10-5, 10-6, 29 30 10-7, 11-6, 11-9, 11-9.1, 11-14, 11-15, 11-15.1, 11-16, 11-17, 11-18, 11-19, 11-19.1, 11-19.2, 11-20, 11-20.1, 31 11-21, 11-22, 12-3.1, 12-4.1, 12-4.2, 12-4.3, 12-4.4, 32 12-4.5, 12-6, 12-6.2, 12-7.1, 12-7.3, 12-7.4, 33 12-11, 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15, 12-16, 12-16.2, 12-21.5, 34 12-21.6, 12-33, 18-1, 18-2, 18-3, 18-4, 18-5, 20-1, 20-1.1, 35 20-2, 24-1, 24-1.1, 24-1.2, 24-3.3, 31A-1, 31A-1.1, and 36

33A-2, and in subsection (a) and subsection (b), clause (1), of Section 12-4 of the Criminal Code of 1961; (ii) those offenses defined in the Cannabis Control Act except those offenses defined in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 4, and subsection (a) of Section 5 of the Cannabis Control Act; (iii) those offenses defined in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act; (iv) any offense committed or attempted in any other state or against the laws of the United States, which if committed or attempted in this State would be punishable as one or more of the foregoing offenses; (v) the offenses defined in Section 4.1 and 5.1 of the Wrongs to Children Act and (vi) those offenses defined in Section 6-16 of the Liquor Control Act of 1934;

- 12. not have been repeatedly involved as a driver in motor vehicle collisions or been repeatedly convicted of offenses against laws and ordinances regulating the movement of traffic, to a degree which indicates lack of ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable care in the safe operation of a motor vehicle or disrespect for the traffic laws and the safety of other persons upon the highway;
- 13. not have, through the unlawful operation of a motor vehicle, caused an accident resulting in the death of any person; and
- 14. not have, within the last 5 years, been adjudged to be afflicted with or suffering from any mental disability or disease.
- (b) A school bus driver permit shall be valid for a period specified by the Secretary of State as set forth by rule. It shall be renewable upon compliance with subsection (a) of this Section.
- (c) A school bus driver permit shall contain the holder's driver's license number, name, address, zip code, social security number and date of birth, a brief description of the holder and a space for signature. The Secretary of State may require a suitable photograph of the holder.

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- (d) The employer shall be responsible for conducting a pre-employment interview with prospective school bus driver candidates, distributing school bus driver applications and medical forms to be completed by the applicant, and submitting the applicant's fingerprint cards to the Department of State Police that are required for the criminal background investigations. The employer shall certify in writing to the Secretary of State that all pre-employment conditions have been successfully completed including the successful completion of an Illinois specific criminal background investigation through the Department of State Police and the submission of necessary fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for criminal history information available through the Federal Bureau of Investigation system. The applicant shall present the certification to the Secretary of State at the time of submitting the school bus driver permit application.
- (e) Permits shall initially be provisional upon receiving certification from the employer that all pre-employment conditions have been successfully completed, successful completion of all training and examination requirements for the classification of the vehicle to be operated, the Secretary of State shall provisionally issue a School Bus Driver Permit. The permit shall remain in a provisional status pending the completion of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's criminal background investigation based upon fingerprinting specimens submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Department of State Police. The Federal Bureau of Investigation shall report the findings directly to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remove the bus driver permit from provisional status upon the applicant's successful completion of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's criminal background investigation.
- (f) A school bus driver permit holder shall notify the employer and the Secretary of State if he or she is convicted in another state of an offense that would make him or her ineligible for a permit under subsection (a) of this Section.

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The written notification shall be made within 5 days of the entry of the conviction. Failure of the permit holder to provide the notification is punishable as a petty offense for a first violation and a Class B misdemeanor for a second or subsequent violation.

- (g) Cancellation; suspension; notice and procedure.
- (1) The Secretary of State shall cancel a school bus driver permit of an applicant whose criminal background investigation discloses that he or she is not in compliance with the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall cancel a school bus driver permit when he or she receives notice that the permit holder fails to comply with any provision of this Section or any rule promulgated for the administration of this Section.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall cancel a school bus driver permit if the permit holder's restricted commercial or commercial driving privileges are withdrawn or otherwise invalidated.
- (4) The Secretary of State may not issue a school bus driver permit for a period of 3 years to an applicant who fails to obtain a negative result on a drug test as required in item 6 of subsection (a) of this Section or under federal law.
- (5) The Secretary of State shall forthwith suspend a school bus driver permit for a period of 3 years upon receiving notice that the holder has failed to obtain a negative result on a drug test as required in item 6 of subsection (a) of this Section or under federal law.

Secretary of shall notify the The State State Superintendent of Education and the permit prospective or current employer that the applicant has (1) has failed a criminal background investigation or (2) is no longer eligible for a school bus driver permit; and of the related cancellation of the applicant's provisional school bus driver permit. The cancellation shall remain in effect pending the

- outcome of a hearing pursuant to Section 2-118 of this Code.
- 2 The scope of the hearing shall be limited to the issuance
- 3 criteria contained in subsection (a) of this Section. A
- 4 petition requesting a hearing shall be submitted to the
- 5 Secretary of State and shall contain the reason the individual
- 6 feels he or she is entitled to a school bus driver permit. The
- 7 permit holder's employer shall notify in writing to the
- 8 Secretary of State that the employer has certified the removal
- 9 of the offending school bus driver from service prior to the
- 10 start of that school bus driver's next workshift. An employing
- 11 school board that fails to remove the offending school bus
- 12 driver from service is subject to the penalties defined in
- 13 Section 3-14.23 of the School Code. A school bus contractor who
- 14 violates a provision of this Section is subject to the
- penalties defined in Section 6-106.11.
- 16 All valid school bus driver permits issued under this
- 17 Section prior to January 1, 1995, shall remain effective until
- their expiration date unless otherwise invalidated.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 91-500, eff. 8-13-99; 92-703, eff. 7-19-02.)
- 20 (625 ILCS 5/11-501) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-501)
- Sec. 11-501. Driving while under the influence of alcohol,
- other drug or drugs, intoxicating compound or compounds or any
- 23 combination thereof.
- 24 (a) A person shall not drive or be in actual physical
- control of any vehicle within this State while:
- 26 (1) the alcohol concentration in the person's blood or
- 27 breath is 0.08 or more based on the definition of blood and
- breath units in Section 11-501.2;
- 29 (2) under the influence of alcohol;
- 30 (3) under the influence of any intoxicating compound or
- 31 combination of intoxicating compounds to a degree that
- renders the person incapable of driving safely;
- 33 (4) under the influence of any other drug or
- 34 combination of drugs to a degree that renders the person
- incapable of safely driving;

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- (5) under the combined influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving; or
- (6) there is any amount of a drug, substance, or compound in the person's breath, blood, or urine resulting from the unlawful use or consumption of cannabis listed in the Cannabis Control Act, a controlled substance listed in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or an intoxicating compound listed in the Use of Intoxicating Compounds Act.
- (b) The fact that any person charged with violating this Section is or has been legally entitled to use alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof, shall not constitute a defense against any charge of violating this Section.
- (c) Except as provided under paragraphs (c-3), (c-4), and (d) of this Section, every person convicted of violating this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance, shall be quilty of a Class A misdemeanor and, in addition to any other criminal or administrative action, for any second conviction of violating this Section or a similar provision of a law of another state or local ordinance committed within 5 years of a previous violation of this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance shall be mandatorily sentenced to a minimum of 5 days of imprisonment or assigned to a minimum of 30 days of community service as may be determined by the court. Every person convicted of violating this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance shall be subject to an additional mandatory minimum fine of \$500 and an additional mandatory 5 days of community service in a program benefiting children if the person committed a violation of paragraph (a) or a similar provision of a local ordinance while transporting a person under age 16. Every person convicted a second time for violating this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance within 5 years of a previous violation of this Section or a similar provision of a law of another state or local ordinance shall be subject to an additional mandatory

- minimum fine of \$500 and an additional 10 days of mandatory community service in a program benefiting children if the current offense was committed while transporting a person under age 16. The imprisonment or assignment under this subsection shall not be subject to suspension nor shall the person be eligible for probation in order to reduce the sentence or assignment.
 - (c-1) (1) A person who violates this Section during a period in which his or her driving privileges are revoked or suspended, where the revocation or suspension was for a violation of this Section, Section 11-501.1, paragraph (b) of Section 11-401, or Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 is guilty of a Class 4 felony.
 - (2) A person who violates this Section a third time during a period in which his or her driving privileges are revoked or suspended where the revocation or suspension was for a violation of this Section, Section 11-501.1, paragraph (b) of Section 11-401, or Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 is guilty of a Class 3 felony.
 - (3) A person who violates this Section a fourth or subsequent time during a period in which his or her driving privileges are revoked or suspended where the revocation or suspension was for a violation of this Section, Section 11-501.1, paragraph (b) of Section 11-401, or Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 is guilty of a Class 2 felony. (c-2) (Blank).
 - (c-3) Every person convicted of violating this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance who had a child under age 16 in the vehicle at the time of the offense shall have his or her punishment under this Act enhanced by 2 days of imprisonment for a first offense, 10 days of imprisonment for a second offense, 30 days of imprisonment for a third offense, and 90 days of imprisonment for a fourth or subsequent offense, in addition to the fine and community service required under subsection (c) and the possible imprisonment required under subsection (d). The imprisonment or assignment under this

subsection shall not be subject to suspension nor shall the person be eligible for probation in order to reduce the sentence or assignment.

- (c-4) When a person is convicted of violating Section 11-501 of this Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance, the following penalties apply when his or her blood, breath, or urine was .16 or more based on the definition of blood, breath, or urine units in Section 11-501.2 or when that person is convicted of violating this Section while transporting a child under the age of 16:
 - (1) A person who is convicted of violating subsection (a) of Section 11-501 of this Code a first time, in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under subsection (c), is subject to a mandatory minimum of 100 hours of community service and a minimum fine of \$500.
 - (2) A person who is convicted of violating subsection (a) of Section 11-501 of this Code a second time within 10 years, in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under subsection (c), is subject to a mandatory minimum of 2 days of imprisonment and a minimum fine of \$1,250.
 - (3) A person who is convicted of violating subsection (a) of Section 11-501 of this Code a third time within 20 years is guilty of a Class 4 felony and, in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under subsection (c), is subject to a mandatory minimum of 90 days of imprisonment and a minimum fine of \$2,500.
 - (4) A person who is convicted of violating this subsection (c-4) a fourth or subsequent time is guilty of a Class 2 felony and, in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under subsection (c), is not eligible for a sentence of probation or conditional discharge and is subject to a minimum fine of \$2,500.
 - (d) (1) Every person convicted of committing a violation of this Section shall be guilty of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination

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thereof if:

- (A) the person committed a violation of this Section, or a similar provision of a law of another state or a local ordinance when the cause of action is the same as or substantially similar to this Section, for the second time within 5 years third or subsequent time;
- (B) the person committed a violation of paragraph(a) while driving a school bus with children on board;
- (C) the person in committing a violation of paragraph (a) was involved in a motor vehicle accident that resulted in great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to another, when the violation was a proximate cause of the injuries;
- (D) the person committed a violation of paragraph (a) for a second time and has been previously convicted of violating Section 9-3 of the Criminal Code of 1961 relating to reckless homicide in which the person was determined to have been under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds as an element of the offense or the person has previously been convicted under subparagraph (C) or subparagraph (F) of this paragraph (1);
- (E) the person, in committing a violation of paragraph (a) while driving at any speed in a school speed zone at a time when a speed limit of 20 miles per hour was in effect under subsection (a) of Section 11-605 of this Code, was involved in a motor vehicle accident that resulted in bodily harm, other than great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement, to another person, when the violation of paragraph (a) was a proximate cause of the bodily harm; or
- (F) the person, in committing a violation of paragraph (a), was involved in a motor vehicle, snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, or watercraft accident that resulted in the death of another person,

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when the violation of paragraph (a) was a proximate cause of the death.

- Except as provided in this paragraph (2),aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, or intoxicating compound or compounds, or combination thereof is a Class 4 felony. violation of subparagraph (A) of paragraph 1, a third or subsequent offense constitutes a Class 4 non-probationable felony. For a violation of subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of this subsection (d), the defendant, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment, shall be sentenced to not less than one year nor more than 12 years. Aggravated driving under influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, intoxicating compound or compounds, or any combination thereof as defined in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of this subsection (d) is a Class 2 felony, for which the defendant, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment, shall be sentenced to: (A) a term of imprisonment of not less than 3 years and not more than 14 years if the violation resulted in the death of one person; or (B) a term of imprisonment of not less than 6 years and not more than 28 years if the violation resulted in the deaths of 2 or more persons. For any prosecution under this subsection (d), a certified copy of the driving abstract of the defendant shall be admitted as proof of any prior conviction.
- (e) After a finding of guilt and prior to any final sentencing, or an order for supervision, for an offense based upon an arrest for a violation of this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance, individuals shall be required to undergo a professional evaluation to determine if an alcohol, drug, or intoxicating compound abuse problem exists and the extent of the problem, and undergo the imposition of appropriate. Programs conducting treatment as these evaluations shall be licensed by the Department of Human Services. The cost of any professional evaluation shall be paid for by the individual required to undergo the professional

1 evaluation.

- (e-1) Any person who is found guilty of or pleads guilty to violating this Section, including any person receiving a disposition of court supervision for violating this Section, may be required by the Court to attend a victim impact panel offered by, or under contract with, a County State's Attorney's office, a probation and court services department, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, or the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists. All costs generated by the victim impact panel shall be paid from fees collected from the offender or as may be determined by the court.
- (f) Every person found guilty of violating this Section, whose operation of a motor vehicle while in violation of this Section proximately caused any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, shall be liable for the expense of an emergency response as provided under Section 5-5-3 of the Unified Code of Corrections.
- (g) The Secretary of State shall revoke the driving privileges of any person convicted under this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance.
 - (h) Every person sentenced under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (c-1) of this Section or subsection (d) of this Section and who receives a term of probation or conditional discharge shall be required to serve a minimum term of either 60 days community service or 10 days of imprisonment as a condition of the probation or conditional discharge. This mandatory minimum term of imprisonment or assignment of community service shall not be suspended and shall not be subject to reduction by the court.
 - (i) The Secretary of State shall require the use of ignition interlock devices on all vehicles owned by an individual who has been convicted of a second or subsequent offense of this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance. The Secretary shall establish by rule and regulation the procedures for certification and use of the interlock system.

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- 1 (j) In addition to any other penalties and liabilities, a 2 person who is found guilty of or pleads guilty to violating 3 this Section, including any person placed on court supervision 4 for violating this Section, shall be fined \$100, payable to the 5 circuit clerk, who shall distribute the money to the law 6 enforcement agency that made the arrest. If the person has been previously convicted of violating this Section or a similar 7 provision of a local ordinance, the fine shall be \$200. In the 8 9 event that more than one agency is responsible for the arrest, 10 the \$100 or \$200 shall be shared equally. Any moneys received 11 by a law enforcement agency under this subsection (j) shall be 12 used to purchase law enforcement equipment that will assist in 13 the prevention of alcohol related criminal violence throughout the State. This shall include, but is not limited to, in-car 14 15 video cameras, radar and laser speed detection devices, and 16 alcohol breath testers. Any moneys received by the Department 17 of State Police under this subsection (j) shall be deposited into the State Police DUI Fund and shall be used to purchase 18 19 law enforcement equipment that will assist in the prevention of 20 alcohol related criminal violence throughout the State.
 - (k) The Secretary of State Police DUI Fund is created as a special fund in the State treasury. All moneys received by the Secretary of State Police under subsection (j) of this Section shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Police DUI Fund and, subject to appropriation, shall be used to purchase law enforcement equipment to assist in the prevention of alcohol related criminal violence throughout the State.
- 28 (Source: P.A. 92-248, eff. 8-3-01; 92-418, eff. 8-17-01;
- 29 92-420, eff. 8-17-01; 92-429, eff. 1-1-02; 92-431, eff. 1-1-02;
- 30 92-651, eff. 7-11-02; 93-156, eff. 1-1-04; 93-213, eff.
- 31 7-18-03; 93-584, eff. 8-22-03; revised 8-27-03.)