

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 21

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 21 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by  
5 adding Section 12-601.1 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-601.1 new)

7 Sec. 12-601.1. Traffic control signal preemption  
8 devices.

9 (a) As used in this Section, "traffic control signal  
10 preemption device" means any device, either mechanical or  
11 electrical, that emits a pulse of light or other signal that,  
12 when received by a detector attached to a traffic control  
13 signal, changes that traffic control signal to a green light  
14 or, if the traffic control signal is already green, extends  
15 the duration of the green light.

16 (b) Except as provided in subsection (d), a traffic  
17 control signal preemption device may not be installed on a  
18 motor vehicle, may not be transported in the passenger  
19 compartment of a motor vehicle, and may not be operated by  
20 the driver or passenger of a motor vehicle.

21 Violation of this subsection (b) is a Class A  
22 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$1,000 in addition to

1 any other penalty that may be imposed.

2 (c) A retailer or manufacturer may not sell a traffic  
3 control signal preemption device to any person or entity for  
4 any intended use other than operation as permitted under  
5 subsection (d).

6 Violation of this subsection (c) is a Class A  
7 misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of \$5,000 for each sale of  
8 each device, in addition to any other penalty that may be  
9 imposed.

10 (d) Installation of a traffic control signal preemption  
11 device is permitted on the following vehicles, and operation  
12 of the device is permitted as follows:

13 (1) Police department vehicles, when responding to  
14 a bona fide emergency, when used in combination with  
15 red or blue oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

16 (2) Law enforcement vehicles of State or local  
17 authorities, when responding to a bona fide emergency,  
18 when used in combination with red oscillating, rotating,  
19 or flashing lights.

20 (3) Vehicles of local fire departments and State or  
21 federal firefighting vehicles, when responding to a bona  
22 fide emergency, when used in combination with red  
23 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

24 (4) Vehicles that are designed and used exclusively  
25 as ambulances or rescue vehicles, when responding to a  
26 bona fide emergency, when used in combination with red  
27 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

28 (5) Vehicles that are equipped and used exclusively  
29 as organ transport vehicles, when the transportation is  
30 declared an emergency by a member of the transplant team  
31 or a representative of the organ procurement  
32 organization, when used in combination with red  
33 oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

34 (6) Vehicles of the Illinois Emergency Management

1 Agency and vehicles of the Department of Nuclear Safety,  
2 when responding to a bona fide emergency, when used in  
3 combination with red oscillating, rotating, or flashing  
4 lights.

5 (7) Commuter buses owned by any political  
6 subdivision of this State, operated either by the  
7 political subdivision or its lessee or agent, and  
8 offering short-haul for-hire regularly scheduled  
9 passenger transportation service, over regular routes  
10 with fixed schedules, within metropolitan and suburban  
11 areas, when used to extend the duration of an already  
12 green light to meet schedules.

13 (8) Vehicles used for snow removal owned by any  
14 political subdivision of this State, operated either by  
15 the political subdivision or its lessee or agent, when  
16 used during a snow emergency in combination with red,  
17 yellow, or amber oscillating, rotating, or flashing  
18 lights.

19 (e) This Section does not prohibit use by motorcycles of  
20 electronic or magnetic safety devices designed to allow  
21 traffic control signal systems to recognize or detect  
22 motorcycles.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law."