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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1597
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 1597 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
5	changing Sections 6-306.5 and 11-208.3 as follows:
6	(625 ILCS 5/6-306.5) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 6-306.5)
7	Sec. 6-306.5. Failure to pay fine or penalty for standing,
8	parking, or compliance violations; suspension of driving
9	privileges.
10	(a) Upon receipt of a certified report, as prescribed by
11	subsection (c) of this Section, from any municipality stating
12	that the owner of a registered vehicle has failed to pay any
13	fine or penalty due and owing as a result of 10 or more
14	violations of a municipality's vehicular standing, parking, or
15	compliance regulations established by ordinance pursuant to
16	Section 11-208.3 of this Code, the Secretary of State shall
17	suspend the driving privileges of such person in accordance
18	with the procedures set forth in this Section. The Secretary
19	shall also suspend the driving privileges of an owner of a
20	registered vehicle upon receipt of a certified report, as
21	prescribed by subsection (f) of this Section, from any
22	municipality stating that such person has failed to satisfy any
23	fines or penalties imposed by final judgments for 10 or more
24	violations of local standing, parking, or compliance

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regulations after exhaustion of judicial review procedures.

(b) Following receipt of the certified report of the 2 3 municipality as specified in this Section, the Secretary of 4 State shall notify the person whose name appears on the 5 certified report that the person's drivers license will be suspended at the end of a specified period of time unless the 6 7 Secretary of State is presented with a notice from the municipality certifying that the fine or penalty due and owing 8 the municipality has been paid or that inclusion of that 9 10 person's name on the certified report was in error. The Secretary's notice shall state in substance the information 11 contained in the municipality's certified report to the 12 Secretary, and shall be effective as specified by subsection 13 (c) of Section 6-211 of this Code. 14

15 (c) The report of the appropriate municipal official 16 notifying the Secretary of State of unpaid fines or penalties 17 pursuant to this Section shall be certified and shall contain 18 the following:

19 (1) The name, last known address as recorded with the 20 Secretary of State, as provided by the lessor of the cited vehicle at the time of lease, or as recorded in a United 21 22 States Post Office approved database if any notice sent under Section 11-208.3 of this Code is returned as 23 24 undeliverable, and drivers license number of the person who 25 failed to pay the fine or penalty and the registration 26 number of any vehicle known to be registered to such person 27 in this State.

(2) The name of the municipality making the reportpursuant to this Section.

30 (3) A statement that the municipality sent a notice of 31 impending drivers license suspension as prescribed by 32 ordinance enacted pursuant to Section 11-208.3, to the 33 person named in the report at the address recorded with the 34 Secretary of State <u>or at the last address known to the</u>

lessor of the cited vehicle at the time of lease or, if any 1 notice sent under Section 11-208.3 of this Code is returned 2 3 as undeliverable, at the last known address recorded in a United States Post Office approved database; the date on 4 5 which such notice was sent; and the address to which such notice was sent. In a municipality with a population of 6 7 1,000,000 or more, the report shall also include a statement that the alleged violator's State vehicle 8 registration number and vehicle make are correct as they 9 10 appear on the citations.

(d) Any municipality making a certified report to the 11 Secretary of State pursuant to this Section shall notify the 12 Secretary of State, in a form prescribed by the Secretary, 13 14 whenever a person named in the certified report has paid the 15 previously reported fine or penalty or whenever the municipality determines that the original report was in error. 16 A certified copy of such notification shall also be given upon 17 request and at no additional charge to the person named 18 19 therein. Upon receipt of the municipality's notification or 20 presentation of a certified copy of such notification, the 21 Secretary of State shall terminate the suspension.

(e) Any municipality making a certified report to the 22 Secretary of State pursuant to this Section shall also by 23 24 ordinance establish procedures for persons to challenge the 25 accuracy of the certified report. The ordinance shall also 26 state the grounds for such a challenge, which may be limited to (1) the person not having been the owner or lessee of the 27 28 vehicle or vehicles receiving 10 or more standing, parking, or 29 compliance violation notices on the date or dates such notices were issued; and (2) the person having already paid the fine or 30 31 penalty for the 10 or more violations indicated on the 32 certified report.

33 (f) Any municipality, other than a municipality34 establishing vehicular standing, parking, and compliance

regulations pursuant to Section 11-208.3, may also cause a 1 2 suspension of a person's drivers license pursuant to this 3 Section. Such municipality may invoke this sanction by making a 4 certified report to the Secretary of State upon a person's 5 failure to satisfy any fine or penalty imposed by final judgment for 10 or more violations of local standing, parking, 6 7 or compliance regulations after exhaustion of judicial review procedures, but only if: 8

9 (1) the municipality complies with the provisions of 10 this Section in all respects except in regard to enacting 11 an ordinance pursuant to Section 11-208.3;

(2) the municipality has sent a notice of impending
drivers license suspension as prescribed by an ordinance
enacted pursuant to subsection (g) of this Section; and

15 (3) in municipalities with a population of 1,000,000 or 16 more, the municipality has verified that the alleged 17 violator's State vehicle registration number and vehicle 18 make are correct as they appear on the citations.

municipality, than 19 (q) Any other а municipality 20 establishing standing, parking, and compliance regulations 21 pursuant to Section 11-208.3, may provide by ordinance for the sending of a notice of impending drivers license suspension to 22 the person who has failed to satisfy any fine or penalty 23 24 imposed by final judgment for 10 or more violations of local 25 standing, parking, or compliance regulations after exhaustion 26 of judicial review procedures. An ordinance so providing shall specify that the notice sent to the person liable for any fine 27 28 or penalty shall state that failure to pay the fine or penalty 29 owing within 45 days of the notice's date will result in the 30 municipality notifying the Secretary of State that the person's 31 drivers license is eligible for suspension pursuant to this 32 Section. The notice of impending drivers license suspension shall be sent by first class United States mail, postage 33 prepaid, to the address recorded with the Secretary of State or 34

1 at the last address known to the lessor of the cited vehicle at 2 the time of lease or, if any notice sent under Section 11-208.3 3 of this Code is returned as undeliverable, to the last known 4 address recorded in a United States Post Office approved 5 database.

(h) An administrative hearing to contest an impending 6 7 suspension or a suspension made pursuant to this Section may be 8 had upon filing a written request with the Secretary of State. The filing fee for this hearing shall be \$20, to be paid at the 9 10 time the request is made. A municipality which files a certified report with the Secretary of State pursuant to this 11 Section shall reimburse the Secretary for all reasonable costs 12 13 incurred by the Secretary as a result of the filing of the report, including but not limited to the costs of providing the 14 15 notice required pursuant to subsection (b) and the costs 16 incurred by the Secretary in any hearing conducted with respect to the report pursuant to this subsection and any appeal from 17 18 such a hearing.

19 (i) The provisions of this Section shall apply on and after20 January 1, 1988.

(j) For purposes of this Section, the term "compliance violation" is defined as in Section 11-208.3. (Source: P.A. 89-190, eff. 1-1-96; 90-145, eff. 1-1-98; 90-481, eff. 8-17-97.)

25 (625 ILCS 5/11-208.3) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-208.3)

26 Sec. 11-208.3. Administrative adjudication of violations 27 of traffic regulations concerning the standing, parking, or 28 condition of vehicles.

(a) Any municipality may provide by ordinance for a system
of administrative adjudication of vehicular standing and
parking violations and vehicle compliance violations as
defined in this subsection. The administrative system shall
have as its purpose the fair and efficient enforcement of

municipal regulations through the administrative adjudication 1 of violations of municipal ordinances regulating the standing 2 3 and parking of vehicles, the condition and use of vehicle 4 equipment, and the display of municipal wheel tax licenses 5 within the municipality's borders. The administrative system shall only have authority to adjudicate civil offenses carrying 6 7 fines not in excess of \$250 that occur after the effective date 8 of the ordinance adopting such a system under this Section. For purposes of this Section, "compliance violation" means a 9 violation of a municipal regulation governing the condition or 10 11 use of equipment on a vehicle or governing the display of a municipal wheel tax license. 12

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13 (b) Any ordinance establishing a system of administrative 14 adjudication under this Section shall provide for:

15 (1) A traffic compliance administrator authorized to 16 adopt, distribute and process parking and compliance violation notices and other notices required by this 17 18 Section, collect money paid as fines and penalties for 19 violation of parking and compliance ordinances, and 20 operate an administrative adjudication system. The traffic 21 compliance administrator also may make a certified report to the Secretary of State under Section 6-306.5. 22

23 (2) A parking, standing, or compliance violation notice that shall specify the date, time, and place of 24 parking, standing, or compliance 25 of violation а 26 regulation; the particular regulation violated; the fine 27 and any penalty that may be assessed for late payment, when 28 so provided by ordinance; the vehicle make and state 29 registration number; and the identification number of the person issuing the notice. With regard to municipalities 30 31 with a population of 1 million or more, it shall be grounds for dismissal of a parking violation if the State 32 33 registration number vehicle specified or make is incorrect. The violation notice shall state that the 34

payment of the indicated fine, and of any applicable penalty for late payment, shall operate as a final disposition of the violation. The notice also shall contain information as to the availability of a hearing in which the violation may be contested on its merits. The violation notice shall specify the time and manner in which a hearing may be had.

(3) Service of the parking, standing, or compliance 8 violation notice by affixing the original or a facsimile of 9 the notice to an unlawfully parked vehicle or by handing 10 the notice to the operator of a vehicle if he or she is 11 present. A person authorized by ordinance to issue and 12 13 serve parking, standing, and compliance violation notices shall certify as to the correctness of the facts entered on 14 15 the violation notice by signing his or her name to the notice at the time of service or in the case of a notice 16 produced by a computerized device, by signing a single 17 18 kept by the traffic compliance certificate to be 19 administrator attesting to the correctness of all notices 20 produced by the device while it was under his or her 21 control. The original or a facsimile of the violation 22 notice or, in the case of a notice produced by a computerized device, a printed record generated by the 23 24 device showing the facts entered on the notice, shall be 25 retained by the traffic compliance administrator, and 26 shall be a record kept in the ordinary course of business. 27 A parking, standing, or compliance violation notice 28 issued, signed and served in accordance with this Section, 29 a copy of the notice, or the computer generated record 30 shall be prima facie correct and shall be prima facie 31 evidence of the correctness of the facts shown on the notice. The notice, copy, or computer generated record 32 33 shall be admissible in any subsequent administrative or legal proceedings. 34

(4) An opportunity for a hearing for the registered 1 2 owner of the vehicle cited in the parking, standing, or compliance violation notice in which the owner may contest 3 4 the merits of the alleged violation, and during which 5 formal or technical rules of evidence shall not apply; provided, however, that under Section 11-1306 of this Code 6 the lessee of a vehicle cited in the violation notice 7 8 likewise shall be provided an opportunity for a hearing of the same kind afforded the registered owner. The hearings 9 shall be recorded, and the person conducting the hearing on 10 behalf of the traffic compliance administrator shall be 11 empowered to administer oaths and to secure by subpoena 12 both the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the 13 production of relevant books and papers. Persons appearing 14 15 at a hearing under this Section may be represented by counsel at their expense. The ordinance may also provide 16 for internal administrative review following the decision 17 of the hearing officer. 18

19 (5) Service of additional notices, sent by first class 20 United States mail, postage prepaid, to the address of the registered owner of the cited vehicle as recorded with the 21 Secretary of State or, if any notice to that address is 22 returned as undeliverable, to the last known address 23 24 recorded in a United States Post Office approved database, or, under Section 11-1306 of this Code, to the lessee of 25 26 the cited vehicle at the last address known to the lessor 27 of the cited vehicle at the time of lease or, if any notice to that address is returned as undeliverable, to the last 28 29 known address recorded in a United States Post Office 30 approved database. The service shall be deemed complete as 31 of the date of deposit in the United States mail. The notices shall be in the following sequence and shall 32 include but not be limited to the information specified 33 34 herein:

(i) A second notice of violation. This notice shall 1 specify the date and location of the violation cited in 2 the parking, standing, or compliance violation notice, 3 4 the particular regulation violated, the vehicle make 5 and state registration number, the fine and any penalty that may be assessed for late payment when so provided 6 by ordinance, the availability of a hearing in which 7 8 the violation may be contested on its merits, and the time and manner in which the hearing may be had. The 9 notice of violation shall also state that failure 10 either to pay the indicated fine and any applicable 11 penalty, or to appear at a hearing on the merits in the 12 time and manner specified, will result in a final 13 determination of violation liability for the cited 14 15 violation in the amount of the fine or penalty indicated, and that, upon the occurrence of a final 16 determination of violation liability for the failure, 17 18 and the exhaustion of, or failure to exhaust, available 19 administrative or judicial procedures for review, any 20 unpaid fine or penalty will constitute a debt due and 21 owing the municipality.

(ii) A notice of final determination of parking, 22 standing, or compliance violation liability. This 23 24 notice shall be sent following a final determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation liability 25 26 and the conclusion of judicial review procedures taken 27 under this Section. The notice shall state that the unpaid fine or penalty is a debt due and owing the 28 29 municipality. The notice shall contain warnings that 30 failure to pay any fine or penalty due and owing the 31 municipality within the time specified may result in the municipality's filing of a petition in the Circuit 32 33 Court to have the unpaid fine or penalty rendered a judgment as provided by this Section, or may result in 34

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suspension of the person's drivers license for failure to pay fines or penalties for 10 or more parking violations under Section 6-306.5.

4 (6) A Notice of impending drivers license suspension. 5 This notice shall be sent to the person liable for any fine or penalty that remains due and owing on 10 or more parking 6 7 violations. The notice shall state that failure to pay the 8 fine or penalty owing within 45 days of the notice's date will result in the municipality notifying the Secretary of 9 State that the person is eligible for initiation of 10 suspension proceedings under Section 6-306.5 of this Code. 11 The notice shall also state that the person may obtain a 12 photostatic copy of an original ticket imposing a fine or 13 penalty by sending a self addressed, stamped envelope to 14 15 the municipality along with a request for the photostatic copy. The notice of impending drivers license suspension 16 shall be sent by first class United States mail, postage 17 prepaid, to the address recorded with the Secretary of 18 19 State or, if any notice to that address is returned as undeliverable, to the last known address recorded in a 20 21 United States Post Office approved database.

22 (7) Final determinations of violation liability. A final determination of violation liability shall occur 23 24 following failure to pay the fine or penalty after a 25 hearing officer's determination of violation liability and 26 the exhaustion of or failure to exhaust any administrative 27 review procedures provided by ordinance. Where a person fails to appear at a hearing to contest the alleged 28 29 violation in the time and manner specified in a prior 30 mailed notice, the hearing officer's determination of 31 violation liability shall become final: (A) upon denial of a timely petition to set aside that determination, or (B) 32 upon expiration of the period for filing the petition 33 without a filing having been made. 34

1 (8) A petition to set aside a determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation liability that may be 2 filed by a person owing an unpaid fine or penalty. The 3 4 petition shall be filed with and ruled upon by the traffic compliance administrator in the manner and within the time 5 specified by ordinance. The grounds for the petition may be 6 7 limited to: (A) the person not having been the owner or 8 lessee of the cited vehicle on the date the violation notice was issued, (B) the person having already paid the 9 fine or penalty for the violation in question, and (C) 10 excusable failure to appear at or request a new date for a 11 hearing. With regard to municipalities with a population of 12 1 million or more, it shall be grounds for dismissal of a 13 parking violation if the State registration number or 14 15 vehicle make specified is incorrect. After the determination of parking, standing, or compliance 16 violation liability has been set aside upon a showing of 17 18 just cause, the registered owner shall be provided with a hearing on the merits for that violation. 19

(9) Procedures for non-residents. Procedures by which
persons who are not residents of the municipality may
contest the merits of the alleged violation without
attending a hearing.

(10) A schedule of civil fines for violations of
vehicular standing, parking, and compliance regulations
enacted by ordinance pursuant to this Section, and a
schedule of penalties for late payment of the fines,
provided, however, that the total amount of the fine and
penalty for any one violation shall not exceed \$250.

(11) Other provisions as are necessary and proper to
 carry into effect the powers granted and purposes stated in
 this Section.

33 (c) Any municipality establishing vehicular standing,
 34 parking, and compliance regulations under this Section may also

provide by ordinance for a program of vehicle immobilization 1 for the purpose of facilitating enforcement 2 of those 3 regulations. The program of vehicle immobilization shall 4 provide for immobilizing any eligible vehicle upon the public 5 way by presence of a restraint in a manner to prevent operation of the vehicle. Any ordinance establishing a program of vehicle 6 7 immobilization under this Section shall provide:

8 (1) Criteria for the designation of vehicles eligible 9 for immobilization. A vehicle shall be eligible for 10 immobilization when the registered owner of the vehicle has 11 accumulated the number of unpaid final determinations of 12 parking, standing, or compliance violation liability as 13 determined by ordinance.

(2) A notice of impending vehicle immobilization and a 14 15 right to a hearing to challenge the validity of the notice 16 disproving liability for the unpaid by final determinations of parking, 17 standing, or compliance 18 violation liability listed on the notice.

(3) The right to a prompt hearing after a vehicle has been immobilized or subsequently towed without payment of the outstanding fines and penalties on parking, standing, or compliance violations for which final determinations have been issued. An order issued after the hearing is a final administrative decision within the meaning of Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

26 (4) A post immobilization and post-towing notice
27 advising the registered owner of the vehicle of the right
28 to a hearing to challenge the validity of the impoundment.

(d) Judicial review of final determinations of parking,
standing, and compliance violations and final administrative
decisions issued after hearings regarding vehicle
immobilization and impoundment made under this Section shall be
subject to the provisions of the Administrative Review Law.

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(e) Any fine, penalty, or part of any fine or any penalty

remaining unpaid after the exhaustion of, or the failure to 1 2 exhaust, administrative remedies created under this Section 3 and the conclusion of any judicial review procedures shall be a 4 debt due and owing the municipality and, as such, may be 5 collected in accordance with applicable law. Payment in full of any fine or penalty resulting from a standing, parking, or 6 7 compliance violation shall constitute a final disposition of 8 that violation.

(f) After the expiration of the period within which 9 10 judicial review may be sought for a final determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation, the municipality 11 may commence a proceeding in the Circuit Court for purposes of 12 obtaining a judgment on the final determination of violation. 13 14 Nothing in this Section shall prevent a municipality from 15 consolidating multiple final determinations of parking, 16 standing, or compliance violation against a person in a proceeding. Upon commencement of the action, the municipality 17 18 shall file a certified copy or record of the final determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation, 19 20 which shall be accompanied by a certification that recites 21 facts sufficient to show that the final determination of violation was issued in accordance with this Section and the 22 applicable municipal ordinance. Service of the summons and a 23 24 copy of the petition may be by any method provided by Section 25 2-203 of the Code of Civil Procedure or by certified mail, 26 return receipt requested, provided that the total amount of fines and penalties for final determinations of parking, 27 28 standing, or compliance violations does not exceed \$2500. If 29 the court is satisfied that the final determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation was entered in accordance 30 31 with the requirements of this Section and the applicable 32 municipal ordinance, and that the registered owner or the 33 lessee, as the case may be, had an opportunity for an administrative hearing and for judicial review as provided in 34

this Section, the court shall render judgment in favor of the municipality and against the registered owner or the lessee for the amount indicated in the final determination of parking, standing, or compliance violation, plus costs. The judgment shall have the same effect and may be enforced in the same manner as other judgments for the recovery of money.

7 (Source: P.A. 92-695, eff. 1-1-03.)".