



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB4539

Introduced 1/31/2012, by Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/12-502

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-502

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that on and after the 180th day after the effective date of the amendatory Act, every vehicle which has a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating or Gross Combination Weight Rating in excess of 26,000 pounds and a conventional cab configuration in which more than half of the engine length is forward of the foremost point of the windshield base and steering wheel bug in the forward quarter of the vehicle length shall, whenever operated either singly or in combination on highways other than controlled-access highways, be equipped with a convex mirror on the front of the vehicle. Provides that when the vehicle or combination is being operated, the mirror shall be adjusted so as to enable the operator to see all points on the imaginary horizontal line which extends the full width of the front of the vehicle and is 3 feet above the road and one foot directly forward from the midpoint of the front of the vehicle. Provides that the new provisions are inoperative if any federal agency or court of competent jurisdiction makes a final determination that the new provisions would render the State ineligible for the receipt of federal funds. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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 changing  
5 Section 12-502 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-502) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-502)  
7 Sec. 12-502. Mirrors.

8 (a) Every motor vehicle, operated singly or when towing  
9 another vehicle, shall be equipped with a mirror so located as  
10 to reflect to the driver a view of the highway for a distance  
11 of at least 200 feet to the rear of such motor vehicle.

12 (b) On and after the 180th day after the effective date of  
13 this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, every vehicle  
14 registered in this State which has a Gross Vehicle Weight  
15 Rating or Gross Combination Weight Rating in excess of 26,000  
16 pounds and a conventional cab configuration in which more than  
17 half of the engine length is forward of the foremost point of  
18 the windshield base and steering wheel bug in the forward  
19 quarter of the vehicle length shall, whenever operated either  
20 singly or in combination on highways other than  
21 controlled-access highways, be equipped with a convex mirror on  
22 the front of the vehicle. When the vehicle or combination is  
23 being operated, the mirror required by this Section shall be

1 adjusted so as to enable the operator to see all points on the  
2 imaginary horizontal line which is 3 feet above the road, one  
3 foot directly forward from the midpoint of the front of the  
4 vehicle or combination, and extends the full width of the front  
5 of the vehicle or combination.

6 The provisions of this subsection (b), other than this  
7 sentence, are inoperative if any federal agency or court of  
8 competent jurisdiction makes a final determination that this  
9 subsection (b) would render the State ineligible for the  
10 receipt of federal funds.

11 (Source: P.A. 82-122.)

12 Section 97. Severability. The provisions of this Act are  
13 severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
15 becoming law.