

# HB5605



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB5605

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/12-208

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-208

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that motorcycles may be equipped with a blue light or lights located on the rear of the motorcycle as a part of the motorcycle's rear stop lamp or lamps.

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A BILL FOR

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 12-208 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-208) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-208)

7 Sec. 12-208. Signal lamps and signal devices.

8 (a) Every vehicle other than an antique vehicle displaying  
9 an antique plate or an expanded-use antique vehicle displaying  
10 expanded-use antique vehicle plates operated in this State  
11 shall be equipped with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of the  
12 vehicle which shall display a red or amber light visible from a  
13 distance of not less than 500 feet to the rear in normal  
14 sunlight and which shall be actuated upon application of the  
15 service (foot) brake, and which may but need not be  
16 incorporated with other rear lamps. During times when lighted  
17 lamps are not required, an antique vehicle or an expanded-use  
18 antique vehicle may be equipped with a stop lamp or lamps on  
19 the rear of such vehicle of the same type originally installed  
20 by the manufacturer as original equipment and in working order.  
21 However, at all other times, except as provided in subsection  
22 (a-1), such antique vehicle or expanded-use antique vehicle  
23 must be equipped with stop lamps meeting the requirements of

1 Section 12-208 of this Act.

2 (a-1) A motorcycle or an ~~An~~ antique vehicle or an  
3 expanded-use antique vehicle, including an antique motorcycle,  
4 may display a blue light or lights of up to one inch in  
5 diameter as part of the vehicle's rear stop lamp or lamps.

6 (b) Every motor vehicle other than an antique vehicle  
7 displaying an antique plate or an expanded-use antique vehicle  
8 displaying expanded-use antique vehicle plates shall be  
9 equipped with an electric turn signal device which shall  
10 indicate the intention of the driver to turn to the right or to  
11 the left in the form of flashing lights located at and showing  
12 to the front and rear of the vehicle on the side of the vehicle  
13 toward which the turn is to be made. The lamps showing to the  
14 front shall be mounted on the same level and as widely spaced  
15 laterally as practicable and, when signaling, shall emit a  
16 white or amber light, or any shade of light between white and  
17 amber. The lamps showing to the rear shall be mounted on the  
18 same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable and,  
19 when signaling, shall emit a red or amber light. An antique  
20 vehicle or expanded-use antique vehicle shall be equipped with  
21 a turn signal device of the same type originally installed by  
22 the manufacturer as original equipment and in working order.

23 (c) Every trailer and semitrailer shall be equipped with an  
24 electric turn signal device which indicates the intention of  
25 the driver in the power unit to turn to the right or to the left  
26 in the form of flashing red or amber lights located at the rear

1 of the vehicle on the side toward which the turn is to be made  
2 and mounted on the same level and as widely spaced laterally as  
3 practicable.

4 (d) Turn signal lamps must be visible from a distance of  
5 not less than 300 feet in normal sunlight.

6 (e) Motorcycles and motor-driven cycles need not be  
7 equipped with electric turn signals. Antique vehicles and  
8 expanded-use antique vehicles need not be equipped with turn  
9 signals unless such were installed by the manufacturer as  
10 original equipment.

11 (f) (Blank).

12 (g) Motorcycles and motor-driven cycles may be equipped  
13 with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of the vehicle that  
14 display a red or amber light, visible from a distance of not  
15 less than 500 feet to the rear in normal sunlight, that flashes  
16 and becomes steady only when the brake is actuated.

17 (Source: P.A. 96-487, eff. 1-1-10; 97-412, eff. 1-1-12; 97-743,  
18 eff. 1-1-13.)