

**HB1840**



**104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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Introduced 1/29/2025, by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

625 ILCS 5/2-106.1 new

625 ILCS 5/3-405

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-405

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires the Secretary of State to accept forms and documents that are manually signed and scanned or signed with a digital signature as an alternative to physical hard copies when processing applications for vehicle registration.

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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  
5                   changing Section 3-405 and by adding Section 2-106.1 as  
6                   follows:

7                   (625 ILCS 5/2-106.1 new)

8                   Sec. 2-106.1. Alternative registration forms and  
9                   documents.

10                   (a) As used in this Section, "digital signature" has the  
11                   same meaning as defined in the Financial Institutions  
12                   Electronic Documents and Digital Signature Act.

13                   (b) The Secretary shall accept forms and documents that  
14                   are manually signed and scanned or signed with a digital  
15                   signature in place of physical hard copies of such forms and  
16                   documents when processing vehicle registration applications.

17                   (625 ILCS 5/3-405) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-405)

18                   Sec. 3-405. Application for registration.

19                   (a) Every owner of a vehicle subject to registration under  
20                   this Code shall make application to the Secretary of State for  
21                   the registration of such vehicle upon the appropriate form or  
22                   forms furnished by the Secretary. Except as provided in

1       Section 2-106.1, every ~~Every~~ such original application shall  
2       bear the signature of the owner written with pen and ink and  
3       contain:

4           1. The name, domicile address, as defined in Section  
5       1-115.5 of this Code, (except as otherwise provided in  
6       this paragraph 1), mail address of the owner or business  
7       address of the owner if a firm, association, or  
8       corporation, and, if available, email address of the  
9       owner. If the mailing address is a post office box number,  
10      the address listed on the driver license record may be  
11      used to verify residence. A police officer, a deputy  
12      sheriff, an elected sheriff, a law enforcement officer for  
13      the Illinois State Police, a fire investigator, a state's  
14      attorney, an assistant state's attorney, a state's  
15      attorney special investigator, or a judicial officer may  
16      elect to furnish the address of the headquarters of the  
17      governmental entity, police district, or business address  
18      where he or she works instead of his or her domicile  
19      address, in which case that address shall be deemed to be  
20      his or her domicile address for all purposes under this  
21      Chapter 3. The spouse and children of a person who may  
22      elect under this paragraph 1 to furnish the address of the  
23      headquarters of the government entity, police district, or  
24      business address where the person works instead of the  
25      person's domicile address may, if they reside with that  
26      person, also elect to furnish the address of the

1       headquarters of the government entity, police district, or  
2       business address where the person works as their domicile  
3       address, in which case that address shall be deemed to be  
4       their domicile address for all purposes under this Chapter  
5       3. In this paragraph 1: (A) "police officer" has the  
6       meaning ascribed to "policeman" in Section 10-3-1 of the  
7       Illinois Municipal Code; (B) "deputy sheriff" means a  
8       deputy sheriff appointed under Section 3-6008 of the  
9       Counties Code; (C) "elected sheriff" means a sheriff  
10      commissioned pursuant to Section 3-6001 of the Counties  
11      Code; (D) "fire investigator" means a person classified as  
12      a peace officer under the Peace Officer Fire Investigation  
13      Act; (E) "state's attorney", "assistant state's attorney",  
14      and "state's attorney special investigator" mean a state's  
15      attorney, assistant state's attorney, and state's attorney  
16      special investigator commissioned or appointed under  
17      Division 3-9 of the Counties Code; and (F) "judicial  
18      officer" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 1-10 of  
19      the Judicial Privacy Act.

20       2. A description of the vehicle, including such  
21       information as is required in an application for a  
22       certificate of title, determined under such standard  
23       rating as may be prescribed by the Secretary.

24       3. (Blank).

25       3.5. A space for a voluntary disclosure of a condition  
26       that impedes effective communication under Section

1 3-405.5.

2 4. Such further information as may reasonably be  
3 required by the Secretary to enable him to determine  
4 whether the vehicle is lawfully entitled to registration  
5 and the owner entitled to a certificate of title.

6 5. An affirmation by the applicant that all  
7 information set forth is true and correct. If the  
8 application is for the registration of a motor vehicle,  
9 the applicant also shall affirm that the motor vehicle is  
10 insured as required by this Code, that such insurance will  
11 be maintained throughout the period for which the motor  
12 vehicle shall be registered, and that neither the owner,  
13 nor any person operating the motor vehicle with the  
14 owner's permission, shall operate the motor vehicle unless  
15 the required insurance is in effect. If the person signing  
16 the affirmation is not the sole owner of the vehicle, such  
17 person shall be deemed to have affirmed on behalf of all  
18 the owners of the vehicle. If the person signing the  
19 affirmation is not an owner of the vehicle, such person  
20 shall be deemed to have affirmed on behalf of the owner or  
21 owners of the vehicle. The lack of signature on the  
22 application shall not in any manner exempt the owner or  
23 owners from any provisions, requirements or penalties of  
24 this Code.

25 (b) When such application refers to a new vehicle  
26 purchased from a dealer the application shall be accompanied

1 by a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin from the dealer, and a  
2 statement showing any lien retained by the dealer.

3 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-1069, eff. 7-1-23.)