



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB2916

Introduced 2/6/2025, by Rep. Regan Deering

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

745 ILCS 75/1  
745 ILCS 75/2

from Ch. 70, par. 201  
from Ch. 70, par. 202

Amends the Snow and Ice Removal Act. Includes within the protection of the Act a person in charge of any business who attempts to remove snow or ice from sidewalks and parking areas abutting the business. Prohibits liability unless the removal of the snow and ice was done in a willful or wanton manner. Provides that attorney's fees may be awarded to a defendant who is protected under the Act from liability if the court determines the that action against the defendant is frivolous.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Snow and Ice Removal Act is amended by  
5 changing Sections 1 and 2 as follows:

6 (745 ILCS 75/1) (from Ch. 70, par. 201)

7 Sec. 1. It is declared to be the public policy of this  
8 State that owners and others residing in residential units and  
9 owners and others operating businesses be encouraged to clean  
10 the sidewalks and parking areas abutting their residences and  
11 businesses of snow and ice. The General Assembly, therefore,  
12 determines that it is undesirable for any person to be found  
13 liable for damages due to his or her efforts in the removal of  
14 snow or ice from such sidewalks or parking areas, except for  
15 acts which amount to clear wrongdoing, as described in Section  
16 2 of this Act.

17 (Source: P.A. 81-591.)

18 (745 ILCS 75/2) (from Ch. 70, par. 202)

19 Sec. 2. Any owner, lessor, occupant or other person in  
20 charge of any residential property or business, or any agent  
21 of or other person engaged by any such party, who removes or  
22 attempts to remove snow or ice from sidewalks or parking areas

1 abutting the property shall not be liable for any personal  
2 injuries allegedly caused by the snowy or icy condition of the  
3 sidewalk or parking area resulting from his or her acts or  
4 omissions unless the alleged misconduct was willful or wanton.  
5 Attorney's fees may be awarded to a defendant who is protected  
6 under this Act in an action against the defendant determined  
7 by the court to be frivolous.

8 (Source: P.A. 81-591.)