

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 Sections 1-120.7 and 3-808.1 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/1-120.7)

7 Sec. 1-120.7. Fire department vehicle. Any vehicle,
8 recreational off-highway vehicle, all-terrain vehicle,
9 watercraft, aircraft, bicycle, or electric personal assistive
10 mobility device that is designated or authorized by proper
11 local authorities for fire department use.

12 (Source: P.A. 95-28, eff. 8-7-07.)

13 (625 ILCS 5/3-808.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-808.1)

14 Sec. 3-808.1. Permanent vehicle registration plate.

15 (a) Permanent vehicle registration plates shall be issued,
16 at no charge, to the following:

17 1. Vehicles, other than medical transport vehicles,
18 owned and operated by the State of Illinois or by any State
19 agency financed by funds appropriated by the General
20 Assembly;

21 2. Special disability plates issued to vehicles owned
22 and operated by the State of Illinois or by any State

1 agency financed by funds appropriated by the General
2 Assembly.

3 (b) Permanent vehicle registration plates shall be issued,
4 for a one-time fee of \$8.00, to the following:

5 1. Vehicles, other than medical transport vehicles,
6 operated by or for any county, township or municipal
7 corporation.

8 2. Vehicles owned by counties, townships or municipal
9 corporations for persons with disabilities.

10 3. Beginning with the 1991 registration year,
11 county-owned vehicles operated by or for any county
12 sheriff and designated deputy sheriffs. These registration
13 plates shall contain the specific county code and unit
14 number.

15 4. All-terrain vehicles owned by counties, townships,
16 or municipal corporations and used for law enforcement
17 purposes or used as fire department vehicles when the
18 Manufacturer's Statement of Origin is accompanied with a
19 letter from the original manufacturer or a manufacturer's
20 franchised dealer stating that this all-terrain vehicle
21 has been converted to a street worthy vehicle that meets
22 the equipment requirements set forth in Chapter 12 of this
23 Code.

24 5. Beginning with the 2001 registration year,
25 municipally owned vehicles operated by or for any police
26 department. These registration plates shall contain the

1 designation "municipal police" and shall be numbered and
2 distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

3 6. Beginning with the 2014 registration year,
4 municipally owned, fire district owned, or Mutual Aid Box
5 Alarm System (MABAS) owned vehicles operated by or for any
6 fire department, fire protection district, or MABAS. These
7 registration plates shall display the designation "Fire
8 Department" and shall display the specific fire
9 department, fire district, fire unit, or MABAS division
10 number or letter.

11 7. Beginning with the 2017 registration year, vehicles
12 that do not require a school bus driver permit under
13 Section 6-104 to operate and are not registered under
14 Section 3-617 of this Code, and are owned by a public
15 school district from grades K-12 or a public community
16 college.

17 8. Beginning with the 2017 registration year, vehicles
18 of the first division or vehicles of the second division
19 weighing not more than 8,000 pounds that are owned by a
20 medical facility or hospital of a municipality, county, or
21 township.

22 9. Beginning with the 2020 registration year, 2-axle
23 motor vehicles that (i) are designed and used as buses in a
24 public system for transporting more than 10 passengers;
25 (ii) are used as common carriers in the general
26 transportation of passengers and not devoted to any

1 specialized purpose; (iii) operate entirely within the
2 territorial limits of a single municipality or a single
3 municipality and contiguous municipalities; and (iv) are
4 subject to the regulation of the Illinois Commerce
5 Commission. The owner of a vehicle under this paragraph is
6 exempt from paying a flat weight tax or a mileage weight
7 tax under this Code.

8 (b-5) Beginning with the 2016 registration year, permanent
9 vehicle registration plates shall be issued for a one-time fee
10 of \$8.00 to a county, township, or municipal corporation that
11 owns or operates vehicles used for the purpose of community
12 workplace commuting as defined by the Secretary of State by
13 administrative rule. The design and color of the plates shall
14 be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary. The
15 Secretary of State may adopt rules to implement this
16 subsection (b-5).

17 (c) Beginning with the 2012 registration year,
18 county-owned vehicles operated by or for any county sheriff
19 and designated deputy sheriffs that have been issued
20 registration plates under subsection (b) of this Section shall
21 be exempt from any fee for the transfer of registration from
22 one vehicle to another vehicle. Each county sheriff shall
23 report to the Secretary of State any transfer of registration
24 plates from one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for
25 any county sheriff and designated deputy sheriffs. The
26 Secretary of State shall adopt rules to implement this

1 subsection (c).

2 (c-5) Beginning with the 2014 registration year,
3 municipally owned, fire district owned, or Mutual Aid Box
4 Alarm System (MABAS) owned vehicles operated by or for any
5 fire department, fire protection district, or MABAS that have
6 been issued registration plates under subsection (b) of this
7 Section shall be exempt from any fee for the transfer of
8 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each fire
9 department, fire protection district, or MABAS shall report to
10 the Secretary of State any transfer of registration plates
11 from one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for any fire
12 department, fire protection district, or MABAS. The Secretary
13 of State shall adopt rules to implement this subsection.

14 (d) Beginning with the 2013 registration year, municipally
15 owned vehicles operated by or for any police department that
16 have been issued registration plates under subsection (b) of
17 this Section shall be exempt from any fee for the transfer of
18 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each
19 municipal police department shall report to the Secretary of
20 State any transfer of registration plates from one vehicle to
21 another vehicle operated by or for any municipal police
22 department. The Secretary of State shall adopt rules to
23 implement this subsection (d).

24 (e) Beginning with the 2016 registration year, any vehicle
25 owned or operated by a county, township, or municipal
26 corporation that has been issued registration plates under

1 this Section is exempt from any fee for the transfer of
2 registration from one vehicle to another vehicle. Each county,
3 township, or municipal corporation shall report to the
4 Secretary of State any transfer of registration plates from
5 one vehicle to another vehicle operated by or for any county,
6 township, or municipal corporation.

7 (f) Beginning with the 2020 registration year, any vehicle
8 owned or operated by a public school district from grades
9 K-12, a public community college, or a medical facility or
10 hospital of a municipality, county, or township that has been
11 issued registration plates under this Section is exempt from
12 any fee for the transfer of registration from one vehicle to
13 another vehicle. Each school district, public community
14 college, or medical facility or hospital shall report to the
15 Secretary any transfer of registration plates from one vehicle
16 to another vehicle operated by the school district, public
17 community college, or medical facility.

18 (g) Beginning with the 2025 registration year, vehicles
19 owned or operated by or for a private or public university
20 police department or a private or public college police
21 department, except for motor driven cycles and all-terrain
22 vehicles, may be registered under subsection (b) of this
23 Section. These registration plates shall contain the
24 designation "university police" or "college police" and shall
25 be numbered and distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of
26 State.

1 (Source: P.A. 103-135, eff. 1-1-24.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
3 becoming law.