

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 11-208.8, 11-601, 11-602, and 11-604 and by
6 adding Section 1-214.2 as follows:

7 (625 ILCS 5/1-214.2 new)

8 Sec. 1-214.2. Target speed. The target speed is the
9 highest desired operating speed given land-use contexts,
10 multimodal activity, and vehicular mobility and shall be
11 established by the entity with jurisdiction over that roadway.

12 (625 ILCS 5/11-208.8)

13 Sec. 11-208.8. Automated speed enforcement systems in
14 safety zones.

15 (a) As used in this Section:

16 "Automated speed enforcement system" means a photographic
17 device, radar device, laser device, or other electrical or
18 mechanical device or devices installed or utilized in a safety
19 zone and designed to record the speed of a vehicle and obtain a
20 clear photograph or other recorded image of the vehicle and
21 the vehicle's registration plate or digital registration plate
22 while the driver is violating Article VI of Chapter 11 of this

1 Code or a similar provision of a local ordinance.

2 An automated speed enforcement system is a system, located
3 in a safety zone which is under the jurisdiction of a
4 municipality, that produces a recorded image of a motor
5 vehicle's violation of a provision of this Code or a local
6 ordinance and is designed to obtain a clear recorded image of
7 the vehicle and the vehicle's license plate. The recorded
8 image must also display the time, date, and location of the
9 violation.

10 "Owner" means the person or entity to whom the vehicle is
11 registered.

12 "Recorded image" means images recorded by an automated
13 speed enforcement system on:

- 14 (1) 2 or more photographs;
15 (2) 2 or more microphotographs;
16 (3) 2 or more electronic images; or
17 (4) a video recording showing the motor vehicle and,
18 on at least one image or portion of the recording, clearly
19 identifying the registration plate or digital registration
20 plate number of the motor vehicle.

21 "Safety zone" means an area that is within one-eighth of a
22 mile from the nearest property line of any public or private
23 elementary or secondary school, or from the nearest property
24 line of any facility, area, or land owned by a school district
25 that is used for educational purposes approved by the Illinois
26 State Board of Education, not including school district

1 headquarters or administrative buildings. A safety zone also
2 includes an area that is within one-eighth of a mile from the
3 nearest property line of any facility, area, or land owned by a
4 park district used for recreational purposes. However, if any
5 portion of a roadway is within either one-eighth mile radius,
6 the safety zone also shall include the roadway extended to the
7 furthest portion of the next furthest intersection. The term
8 "safety zone" does not include any portion of the roadway
9 known as Lake Shore Drive or any controlled access highway
10 with 8 or more lanes of traffic or any roadway in which the 30
11 mile per hour maximum speed limit is decreased by local
12 ordinance without an engineering or traffic investigation in
13 accordance with subsection (b) of Section 11-604 after the
14 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 104th General
15 Assembly.

16 (a-5) The automated speed enforcement system shall be
17 operational and violations shall be recorded only at the
18 following times:

19 (i) if the safety zone is based upon the property line
20 of any facility, area, or land owned by a school district,
21 only on school days and no earlier than 6 a.m. and no later
22 than 8:30 p.m. if the school day is during the period of
23 Monday through Thursday, or 9 p.m. if the school day is a
24 Friday; and

25 (ii) if the safety zone is based upon the property
26 line of any facility, area, or land owned by a park

1 district, no earlier than one hour prior to the time that
2 the facility, area, or land is open to the public or other
3 patrons, and no later than one hour after the facility,
4 area, or land is closed to the public or other patrons.

5 (b) A municipality that produces a recorded image of a
6 motor vehicle's violation of a provision of this Code or a
7 local ordinance must make the recorded images of a violation
8 accessible to the alleged violator by providing the alleged
9 violator with a website address, accessible through the
10 Internet.

11 (c) Notwithstanding any penalties for any other violations
12 of this Code, the owner of a motor vehicle used in a traffic
13 violation recorded by an automated speed enforcement system
14 shall be subject to the following penalties:

15 (1) if the recorded speed is no less than 6 miles per
16 hour and no more than 10 miles per hour over the legal
17 speed limit, a civil penalty not exceeding \$50, plus an
18 additional penalty of not more than \$50 for failure to pay
19 the original penalty in a timely manner; or

20 (2) if the recorded speed is more than 10 miles per
21 hour over the legal speed limit, a civil penalty not
22 exceeding \$100, plus an additional penalty of not more
23 than \$100 for failure to pay the original penalty in a
24 timely manner.

25 A penalty may not be imposed under this Section if the
26 driver of the motor vehicle received a Uniform Traffic

1 Citation from a police officer for a speeding violation
2 occurring within one-eighth of a mile and 15 minutes of the
3 violation that was recorded by the system. A violation for
4 which a civil penalty is imposed under this Section is not a
5 violation of a traffic regulation governing the movement of
6 vehicles and may not be recorded on the driving record of the
7 owner of the vehicle. A law enforcement officer is not
8 required to be present or to witness the violation. No penalty
9 may be imposed under this Section if the recorded speed of a
10 vehicle is 5 miles per hour or less over the legal speed limit.
11 The municipality may send, in the same manner that notices are
12 sent under this Section, a speed violation warning notice
13 where the violation involves a speed of 5 miles per hour or
14 less above the legal speed limit.

15 (d) The net proceeds that a municipality receives from
16 civil penalties imposed under an automated speed enforcement
17 system, after deducting all non-personnel and personnel costs
18 associated with the operation and maintenance of such system,
19 shall be expended or obligated by the municipality for the
20 following purposes:

21 (i) public safety initiatives to ensure safe passage
22 around schools, and to provide police protection and
23 surveillance around schools and parks, including but not
24 limited to: (1) personnel costs; and (2) non-personnel
25 costs such as construction and maintenance of public
26 safety infrastructure and equipment;

1 (ii) initiatives to improve pedestrian and traffic
2 safety;

3 (iii) construction and maintenance of infrastructure
4 within the municipality, including but not limited to
5 roads and bridges; and

6 (iv) after school programs.

7 (e) For each violation of a provision of this Code or a
8 local ordinance recorded by an automated speed enforcement
9 system, the municipality having jurisdiction shall issue a
10 written notice of the violation to the registered owner of the
11 vehicle as the alleged violator. The notice shall be delivered
12 to the registered owner of the vehicle, by mail, within 30 days
13 after the Secretary of State notifies the municipality of the
14 identity of the owner of the vehicle, but in no event later
15 than 90 days after the violation.

16 (f) The notice required under subsection (e) of this
17 Section shall include:

18 (1) the name and address of the registered owner of
19 the vehicle;

20 (2) the registration number of the motor vehicle
21 involved in the violation;

22 (3) the violation charged;

23 (4) the date, time, and location where the violation
24 occurred;

25 (5) a copy of the recorded image or images;

26 (6) the amount of the civil penalty imposed and the

1 date by which the civil penalty should be paid;

2 (7) a statement that recorded images are evidence of a
3 violation of a speed restriction;

4 (8) a warning that failure to pay the civil penalty or
5 to contest liability in a timely manner is an admission of
6 liability;

7 (9) a statement that the person may elect to proceed
8 by:

9 (A) paying the fine; or

10 (B) challenging the charge in court, by mail, or
11 by administrative hearing; and

12 (10) a website address, accessible through the
13 Internet, where the person may view the recorded images of
14 the violation.

15 (g) (Blank).

16 (h) Based on inspection of recorded images produced by an
17 automated speed enforcement system, a notice alleging that the
18 violation occurred shall be evidence of the facts contained in
19 the notice and admissible in any proceeding alleging a
20 violation under this Section.

21 (i) Recorded images made by an automated speed enforcement
22 system are confidential and shall be made available only to
23 the alleged violator and governmental and law enforcement
24 agencies for purposes of adjudicating a violation of this
25 Section, for statistical purposes, or for other governmental
26 purposes. Any recorded image evidencing a violation of this

1 Section, however, may be admissible in any proceeding
2 resulting from the issuance of the citation.

3 (j) The court or hearing officer may consider in defense
4 of a violation:

5 (1) that the motor vehicle or registration plates or
6 digital registration plates of the motor vehicle were
7 stolen before the violation occurred and not under the
8 control or in the possession of the owner or lessee at the
9 time of the violation;

10 (1.5) that the motor vehicle was hijacked before the
11 violation occurred and not under the control of or in the
12 possession of the owner or lessee at the time of the
13 violation;

14 (2) that the driver of the motor vehicle received a
15 Uniform Traffic Citation from a police officer for a
16 speeding violation occurring within one-eighth of a mile
17 and 15 minutes of the violation that was recorded by the
18 system; and

19 (3) any other evidence or issues provided by municipal
20 ordinance.

21 (k) To demonstrate that the motor vehicle was hijacked or
22 the motor vehicle or registration plates or digital
23 registration plates were stolen before the violation occurred
24 and were not under the control or possession of the owner or
25 lessee at the time of the violation, the owner or lessee must
26 submit proof that a report concerning the motor vehicle or

1 registration plates was filed with a law enforcement agency in
2 a timely manner.

3 (l) A roadway equipped with an automated speed enforcement
4 system shall be posted with a sign conforming to the national
5 Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices that is visible to
6 approaching traffic stating that vehicle speeds are being
7 photo-enforced and indicating the speed limit. The
8 municipality shall install such additional signage as it
9 determines is necessary to give reasonable notice to drivers
10 as to where automated speed enforcement systems are installed.

11 (m) A roadway where a new automated speed enforcement
12 system is installed shall be posted with signs providing 30
13 days notice of the use of a new automated speed enforcement
14 system prior to the issuance of any citations through the
15 automated speed enforcement system.

16 (n) The compensation paid for an automated speed
17 enforcement system must be based on the value of the equipment
18 or the services provided and may not be based on the number of
19 traffic citations issued or the revenue generated by the
20 system.

21 (n-1) No member of the General Assembly and no officer or
22 employee of a municipality or county shall knowingly accept
23 employment or receive compensation or fees for services from a
24 vendor that provides automated speed enforcement system
25 equipment or services to municipalities or counties. No former
26 member of the General Assembly shall, within a period of 2

1 years immediately after the termination of service as a member
2 of the General Assembly, knowingly accept employment or
3 receive compensation or fees for services from a vendor that
4 provides automated speed enforcement system equipment or
5 services to municipalities or counties. No former officer or
6 employee of a municipality or county shall, within a period of
7 2 years immediately after the termination of municipal or
8 county employment, knowingly accept employment or receive
9 compensation or fees for services from a vendor that provides
10 automated speed enforcement system equipment or services to
11 municipalities or counties.

12 (o) (Blank).

13 (p) No person who is the lessor of a motor vehicle pursuant
14 to a written lease agreement shall be liable for an automated
15 speed or traffic law enforcement system violation involving
16 such motor vehicle during the period of the lease; provided
17 that upon the request of the appropriate authority received
18 within 120 days after the violation occurred, the lessor
19 provides within 60 days after such receipt the name and
20 address of the lessee. The drivers license number of a lessee
21 may be subsequently individually requested by the appropriate
22 authority if needed for enforcement of this Section.

23 Upon the provision of information by the lessor pursuant
24 to this subsection, the municipality may issue the violation
25 to the lessee of the vehicle in the same manner as it would
26 issue a violation to a registered owner of a vehicle pursuant

1 to this Section, and the lessee may be held liable for the
2 violation.

3 (q) A municipality using an automated speed enforcement
4 system must provide notice to drivers by publishing the
5 locations of all safety zones where system equipment is
6 installed on the website of the municipality.

7 (r) A municipality operating an automated speed
8 enforcement system shall conduct a statistical analysis to
9 assess the safety impact of the system following installation
10 of the system and every 2 years thereafter. A municipality
11 operating an automated speed enforcement system before the
12 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General
13 Assembly shall conduct a statistical analysis to assess the
14 safety impact of the system by no later than one year after the
15 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General
16 Assembly and every 2 years thereafter. Each statistical
17 analysis shall be based upon the best available crash,
18 traffic, and other data, and shall cover a period of time
19 before and after installation of the system sufficient to
20 provide a statistically valid comparison of safety impact.
21 Each statistical analysis shall be consistent with
22 professional judgment and acceptable industry practice. Each
23 statistical analysis also shall be consistent with the data
24 required for valid comparisons of before and after conditions
25 and shall be conducted within a reasonable period following
26 the installation of the automated traffic law enforcement

1 system. Each statistical analysis required by this subsection
2 shall be made available to the public and shall be published on
3 the website of the municipality.

4 (s) This Section applies only to municipalities with a
5 population of 1,000,000 or more inhabitants.

6 (t) If a county or municipality selects a new vendor for
7 its automated speed enforcement system and must, as a
8 consequence, apply for a permit, approval, or other
9 authorization from the Department for reinstallation of one or
10 more malfunctioning components of that system and if, at the
11 time of the application for the permit, approval, or other
12 authorization, the new vendor operates an automated speed
13 enforcement system for any other county or municipality in the
14 State, then the Department shall approve or deny the county or
15 municipality's application for the permit, approval, or other
16 authorization within 90 days after its receipt.

17 (u) The Department may revoke any permit, approval, or
18 other authorization granted to a county or municipality for
19 the placement, installation, or operation of an automated
20 speed enforcement system if any official or employee who
21 serves that county or municipality is charged with bribery,
22 official misconduct, or a similar crime related to the
23 placement, installation, or operation of the automated speed
24 enforcement system in the county or municipality.

25 The Department shall adopt any rules necessary to
26 implement and administer this subsection. The rules adopted by

1 the Department shall describe the revocation process, shall
2 ensure that notice of the revocation is provided, and shall
3 provide an opportunity to appeal the revocation. Any county or
4 municipality that has a permit, approval, or other
5 authorization revoked under this subsection may not reapply
6 for such a permit, approval, or other authorization for a
7 period of 1 year after the revocation.

8 (v) The University of Illinois Chicago Urban
9 Transportation Center shall conduct a study that includes the
10 following:

11 (1) a comprehensive review of the City of Chicago's
12 website multi-year crash data on North and South DuSable
13 Lake Shore Drive;

14 (2) the available research on potential effectiveness
15 of cameras powered by artificial intelligence in improving
16 compliance and reducing crashes and road fatalities on
17 North and South DuSable Lake Shore Drive;

18 (3) an analysis of driving behavior to detect risky
19 driving patterns and to address the DuSable Lake Shore
20 Drive crash corridors;

21 (4) an assessment of the effectiveness of
22 psychological deterrence in reducing habitual speeding;
23 and

24 (5) an assessment of how fatalities can be reduced
25 using these cameras powered by artificial intelligence and
26 other technical options that may be available in place of

1 cameras powered by artificial intelligence.

2 The Department shall adopt any rules necessary to
3 implement this subsection (v).

4 (Source: P.A. 103-364, eff. 7-28-23; 104-381, eff. 1-1-26.)

5 (625 ILCS 5/11-601) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-601)

6 Sec. 11-601. General speed restrictions.

7 (a) No vehicle may be driven upon any highway of this State
8 at a speed which is greater than is reasonable and proper with
9 regard to traffic conditions and the use of the highway, or
10 endangers the safety of any person or property. The fact that
11 the speed of a vehicle does not exceed the applicable maximum
12 speed limit does not relieve the driver from the duty to
13 decrease speed when approaching and crossing an intersection,
14 approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill
15 crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, or
16 when special hazard exists with respect to pedestrians,
17 bicyclists, or other traffic or by reason of weather or
18 highway conditions. Speed must be decreased as may be
19 necessary to avoid colliding with any person or vehicle on or
20 entering the highway in compliance with legal requirements and
21 the duty of all persons to use due care.

22 (a-5) For purposes of this Section, "urban district" does
23 not include any interstate highway as defined by Section
24 1-133.1 of this Code which includes all highways under the
25 jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

1 (b) No person may drive a vehicle upon any highway of this
2 State at a speed which is greater than the applicable
3 statutory maximum speed limit established by paragraphs (c),
4 (d), (e), (f) or (g) of this Section, by Section 11-605 or by a
5 regulation or ordinance made under this Chapter.

6 (c) Unless some other speed restriction is established
7 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit in an urban
8 district for all vehicles is:

9 1. 30 miles per hour; and

10 2. 15 miles per hour in an alley.

11 (d) Unless some other speed restriction is established
12 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
13 district for any vehicle is (1) 65 miles per hour for all or
14 part of highways that are designated by the Department, have
15 at least 4 lanes of traffic, and have a separation between the
16 roadways moving in opposite directions and (2) 55 miles per
17 hour for all other highways, roads, and streets.

18 (d-1) Unless some other speed restriction is established
19 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
20 district for any vehicle is (1) 70 miles per hour on any
21 interstate highway as defined by Section 1-133.1 of this Code
22 which includes all highways under the jurisdiction of the
23 Illinois State Toll Highway Authority; (2) 65 miles per hour
24 for all or part of highways that are designated by the
25 Department, have at least 4 lanes of traffic, and have a
26 separation between the roadways moving in opposite directions;

1 and (3) 55 miles per hour for all other highways, roads, and
2 streets. The counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, Madison,
3 McHenry, St. Clair, and Will may adopt ordinances setting a
4 maximum speed limit on highways, roads, and streets that is
5 lower than the limits established by this Section.

6 (e) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,
7 and Will, unless some lesser speed restriction is established
8 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
9 district for a second division vehicle designed or used for
10 the carrying of a gross weight of 8,001 pounds or more
11 (including the weight of the vehicle and maximum load) is 60
12 miles per hour on any interstate highway as defined by Section
13 1-133.1 of this Code and 55 miles per hour on all other
14 highways, roads, and streets.

15 (e-1) (Blank).

16 (f) Unless some other speed restriction is established
17 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside an urban
18 district for a bus is:

19 1. 65 miles per hour upon any highway which has at
20 least 4 lanes of traffic and of which the roadways for
21 traffic moving in opposite directions are separated by a
22 strip of ground which is not surfaced or suitable for
23 vehicular traffic, except that the maximum speed limit for
24 a bus on all highways, roads, or streets not under the
25 jurisdiction of the Department or the Illinois State Toll
26 Highway Authority is 55 miles per hour;

1 1.5. 70 miles per hour upon any interstate highway as
2 defined by Section 1-133.1 of this Code outside the
3 counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will;
4 and

5 2. 55 miles per hour on any other highway.

6 (g) (Blank).

7 (Source: P.A. 98-511, eff. 1-1-14; 98-1126, eff. 1-1-15;
8 98-1128, eff. 1-1-15; 99-78, eff. 7-20-15.)

9 (625 ILCS 5/11-602) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-602)

10 Sec. 11-602. Alteration of limits by Department.

11 (a) Whenever the Department determines, upon the basis of
12 an engineering and traffic investigation concerning any
13 highway for which the Department has maintenance
14 responsibility, that a maximum speed limit prescribed in
15 Section 11-601 of this Chapter is greater or less than is
16 reasonable or safe with respect to the conditions found to
17 exist at any intersection or other place on such highway or
18 along any part or zone thereof, the Department shall determine
19 and declare a reasonable and safe absolute maximum speed limit
20 applicable to such intersection or place, or along such part
21 or zone. However, such limit shall conform with the maximum
22 speed limit restrictions provided for in Section 11-601 of
23 this Code.

24 (b) Where any highway under the Department's jurisdiction
25 lies within the jurisdictional boundary of a local authority,

1 the Department may, at the local authority's request or by its
2 own initiative, set a reduced maximum speed limit upon the
3 basis of an engineering and traffic investigation. If the
4 highway falls within an urban district and if the local
5 authority's request or Department initiative is to decrease
6 the maximum speed limit to 25 miles per hour, the reduction may
7 occur without performing an engineering and traffic
8 investigation if the reduction aligns with the determined
9 target speed, as defined in Section 1-214.2, for that portion
10 of the highway.

11 (c) Where a highway under the Department's jurisdiction is
12 contiguous to school property, the Department may, at the
13 school district's request, set a reduced maximum speed limit
14 for student safety purposes in the portion of the highway that
15 faces the school property and in the portions of the highway
16 that extend one-quarter mile in each direction from the
17 opposite ends of the school property.

18 (d) A limit determined and declared as provided in this
19 Section becomes effective, and suspends the applicability of
20 the limit prescribed in Section 11-601 of this Chapter, when
21 appropriate signs giving notice of the limit are erected at
22 such intersection or other place, or along such part or zone of
23 the highway. Electronic speed-detecting devices shall not be
24 used within 500 feet beyond any such sign in the direction of
25 travel; if so used in violation hereof, evidence obtained
26 thereby shall be inadmissible in any prosecution for speeding.

1 However, nothing in this Section prohibits the use of such
2 electronic speed-detecting devices within 500 feet of a sign
3 within a special school speed zone indicating such zone,
4 conforming to the requirements of Section 11-605 of this Act,
5 nor shall evidence obtained thereby be inadmissible in any
6 prosecution for speeding provided the use of such device shall
7 apply only to the enforcement of the speed limit in such
8 special school speed zone.

9 (Source: P.A. 98-511, eff. 1-1-14.)

10 (625 ILCS 5/11-604) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-604)

11 Sec. 11-604. Alteration of limits by local authorities.

12 (a) Subject to the limitations set forth in this Section,
13 the county board of a county may establish absolute maximum
14 speed limits on all county highways, township roads and
15 district roads as defined in the Illinois Highway Code, except
16 those under the jurisdiction of the Department or of the
17 Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, as described in
18 Sections 11-602 and 11-603 of this Chapter; and any park
19 district, city, village, or incorporated town may establish
20 absolute maximum speed limits on all streets which are within
21 its corporate limits and which are not under the jurisdiction
22 of the Department or of such Authority, and for which the
23 county or a highway commissioner of such county does not have
24 maintenance responsibility.

25 (b) Whenever any such park district, city, village, or

1 incorporated town determines, upon the basis of an engineering
2 or traffic investigation concerning a highway or street on
3 which it is authorized by this Section to establish speed
4 limits, that a maximum speed limit prescribed in Section
5 11-601 of this Chapter is greater or less than is reasonable or
6 safe with respect to the conditions found to exist at any place
7 or along any part or zone of such highway or street, the local
8 authority or park district shall determine and declare by
9 ordinance a reasonable and safe absolute maximum speed limit
10 at such place or along such part or zone, which:

11 (1) Decreases the limit within an urban district,
12 which shall not require an engineering or traffic
13 investigation to a maximum speed limit of 25 miles per
14 hour, but not ~~to~~ less than 20 miles per hour and a maximum
15 speed limit of 10 miles per hour in an alley; or

16 (2) Increases the limit within an urban district, but
17 not to more than 55 miles per hour; or

18 (3) Decreases the limit outside of an urban district,
19 but not to less than 35 miles per hour, except as otherwise
20 provided in subparagraph 4 of this paragraph; or

21 (4) Decreases the limit within a residence district,
22 which shall not require an engineering or traffic
23 investigation to a maximum speed limit of 20, ~~but not to~~
24 ~~less than 25~~ miles per hour, except as otherwise provided
25 in paragraph (1) ~~subparagraph 1 of this paragraph~~.

26 The park district, city, village, or incorporated town may

1 make such limit applicable at all times or only during certain
2 specified times. Not more than 6 such alterations shall be
3 made per mile along a highway or street; and the difference in
4 limit between adjacent altered speed zones shall not be more
5 than 10 miles per hour.

6 A limit so determined and declared by a park district,
7 city, village, or incorporated town shall be posted with signs
8 designating the new speed limit and becomes effective, and
9 suspends the application of the limit prescribed in Section
10 11-601 of this Chapter, when appropriate signs giving notice
11 of the limit are erected at the proper place or along the
12 proper part or zone of the highway or street. Electronic
13 speed-detecting devices shall not be used within 500 feet
14 beyond any such sign in the direction of travel; if so used in
15 violation of this Section evidence obtained thereby shall be
16 inadmissible in any prosecution for speeding. However, nothing
17 in this Section prohibits the use of such electronic
18 speed-detecting devices within 500 feet of a sign within a
19 special school speed zone indicating such zone, conforming to
20 the requirements of Section 11-605 of this Act, nor shall
21 evidence obtained thereby be inadmissible in any prosecution
22 for speeding provided the use of such device shall apply only
23 to the enforcement of the speed limit in such special school
24 speed zone.

25 (b-1) A county, municipality, or township may request that
26 the Department perform an engineering and traffic

1 investigation concerning any portion of highway under the
2 Department's jurisdiction, which lies within the geographic
3 boundary of the requesting local authority, to determine a
4 reasonable or safe absolute maximum speed limit for that
5 portion of highway. The Department shall perform the
6 engineering and traffic investigation and report the results
7 to the requesting local authority unless otherwise specified
8 in Section 11-602.

9 (c) A county engineer or superintendent of highways may
10 submit to the Department for approval, a county policy for
11 establishing altered speed zones on township and county
12 highways based upon engineering and traffic investigations.

13 (d) Whenever the county board of a county determines that
14 a maximum speed limit is greater or less than is reasonable or
15 safe with respect to the conditions found to exist at any place
16 or along any part or zone of the highway or road, the county
17 board shall determine and declare by ordinance a reasonable
18 and safe absolute maximum speed limit at that place or along
19 that part or zone. However, the maximum speed limit shall not
20 exceed 55 miles per hour. Upon receipt of an engineering study
21 for the part or zone of highway in question from the county
22 engineer, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
23 county board of a county may determine and declare by
24 ordinance a reduction in the maximum speed limit at any place
25 or along any part or zone of a county highway whenever the
26 county board, in its sole discretion, determines that the

1 reduction in the maximum speed limit is reasonable and safe.
2 The county board shall ~~may~~ post signs designating the new
3 speed limit. The limit becomes effective, and suspends the
4 application of the limit prescribed in Section 11-601 of this
5 Chapter, when appropriate signs giving notice of the limit are
6 erected at the proper place or along the proper part of the
7 zone of the highway. Electronic speed-detecting devices shall
8 not be used within 500 feet beyond any such sign in the
9 direction of travel; if so used in violation of this Section,
10 evidence obtained thereby shall be inadmissible in any
11 prosecution for speeding. However, nothing in this Section
12 prohibits the use of such electronic speed-detecting devices
13 within 500 feet of a sign within a special school speed zone
14 indicating such zone, conforming to the requirements of
15 Section 11-605 of this Act, nor shall evidence obtained
16 thereby be inadmissible in any prosecution for speeding
17 provided the use of such device shall apply only to the
18 enforcement of the speed limit in such special school speed
19 zone.

20 (Source: P.A. 95-574, eff. 6-1-08; 95-788, eff. 8-7-08.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law, except the changes made to subsection (b) of
23 Section 11-602 of the Illinois Vehicle Code take effect
24 January 1, 2027.