

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 School Code is amended by changing Section
5 29-6.3 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/29-6.3)

7 Sec. 29-6.3. Transportation to and from specified
8 interscholastic or school-sponsored activities.

9 (a) Any school district transporting students in grade 12
10 or below for an interscholastic, interscholastic athletic, or
11 school-sponsored, noncurriculum-related activity that (i) does
12 not require student participation as part of the educational
13 services of the district and (ii) is not associated with the
14 students' regular class-for-credit schedule or required 5
15 clock hours of instruction under Section 10-19.05 shall
16 transport the students only in a school bus, a vehicle
17 manufactured to transport not more than 10 persons, including
18 the driver, or a multifunction school activity ~~school-activity~~
19 bus manufactured to transport not more than 15 persons,
20 including the driver.

21 (a-5) A student in any of grades 9 through 12 may be
22 transported in a multifunction ~~multi-function~~ school activity
23 bus (MFSAB) as defined in Section 1-148.3a-5 of the Illinois

1 Vehicle Code for any curriculum-related or career-related
2 activity except for transportation on regular bus routes from
3 home to school or from school to home, subject to the following
4 conditions:

5 (i) A MFSAB may not be used to transport students
6 under this Section unless the driver holds a valid school
7 bus driver permit.

8 (ii) The use of a MFSAB under this Section is subject
9 to the requirements of Sections 6-106.11, 6-106.12,
10 12-707.01, 13-101, and 13-109 of the Illinois Vehicle
11 Code.

12 (b) Any school district furnishing transportation for
13 students under the authority of this Section shall insure
14 against any loss or liability of the district resulting from
15 the maintenance, operation, or use of the vehicle.

16 (c) Vehicles used to transport students under this Section
17 may claim a depreciation allowance of 20% over 5 years as
18 provided in Section 29-5 of this Code.

19 (Source: P.A. 101-12, eff. 7-1-19.)

20 Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
21 changing Sections 1-148.3a-5 and 11-1414.1 as follows:

22 (625 ILCS 5/1-148.3a-5)

23 Sec. 1-148.3a-5. Multifunction school activity bus. A
24 multifunction school activity ~~school activity~~ bus (MFSAB)

1 means a school bus manufactured for the purpose of
2 transporting 11 or more persons, including the driver, whose
3 purposes do not include transporting students to and from home
4 or school bus stops. A MFSAB is prohibited from meeting the
5 special requirements for school buses in Sections 12-801,
6 12-803, and 12-805 and subsection (a) of Section 12-802 of
7 this Code.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-410, eff. 7-1-10; 97-378, eff. 8-15-11.)

9 (625 ILCS 5/11-1414.1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-1414.1)

10 Sec. 11-1414.1. School transportation of students.

11 (a) Every student enrolled in grade 12 or below in any
12 entity listed in subsection (a) of Section 1-182 of this Code
13 must be transported in a school bus or a vehicle described in
14 subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (b) of Section 1-182 of
15 this Code for any curriculum-related or career-related ~~school~~
16 activity, except a student in any of grades 9 through 12 or a
17 student in any of grades K through 12 with an individualized
18 education program ~~Individualized Education Plan~~ (IEP) with a
19 staff to student ratio of 1 to 5, and attending Acacia Academy,
20 Alexander Leigh, Marklund, Helping Hands Center, Connections
21 Organization, Soaring Eagle Academy, or New Horizon Academy
22 may be transported in a multifunction ~~multi-function~~ school
23 activity bus (MFSAB) as defined in Section 1-148.3a-5 of this
24 Code for any curriculum-related or career-related activity
25 except for transportation on regular bus routes from home to

1 school or from school to home, subject to the following
2 conditions:

3 (i) A MFSAB may not be used to transport students
4 under this Section unless the driver holds a valid school
5 bus driver permit.

6 (ii) The use of a MFSAB under this Section is subject
7 to the requirements of Sections 6-106.11, 6-106.12,
8 12-707.01, 13-101, and 13-109 of this Code.

9 "Curriculum-related or career-related ~~school~~ activity" as
10 used in this subsection (a) includes transportation from home
11 to school or from school to home, tripper or shuttle service
12 between school attendance centers, transportation to a
13 college, university, or student job site developed through a
14 partnership with a school, a vocational or career center or
15 other trade-skill development site or a regional safe school
16 or other school-sponsored alternative learning program, or an
17 experience that a school determines will contribute to the
18 college or career readiness of a student, or a trip that is
19 directly related to the regular curriculum of a student for
20 which he or she earns credit.

21 (b) Every student enrolled in grade 12 or below in any
22 entity listed in subsection (a) of Section 1-182 of this Code
23 who is transported in a vehicle that is being operated by or
24 for a public or private primary or secondary school, including
25 any primary or secondary school operated by a religious
26 institution, for an interscholastic,

1 interscholastic-athletic, or school-sponsored,
2 noncurriculum-related activity that (i) does not require
3 student participation as part of the educational services of
4 the entity and (ii) is not associated with the students'
5 regular class-for-credit schedule shall transport students
6 only in a school bus or vehicle described in subsection (b) of
7 Section 1-182 of this Code. A student participating in an
8 agrarian-related activity may also be transported in a second
9 division pick-up truck registered under paragraph 7 of
10 subsection (b) of Section 3-808.1. For purposes of this
11 subsection, "pick-up truck" means a truck weighing 12,000
12 pounds or less with an enclosed cabin that can seat up to 6
13 passengers with seatbelts, including the driver, and an open
14 cargo area. This subsection (b) does not apply to any second
15 division vehicle used by an entity listed in subsection (a) of
16 Section 1-182 of this Code for a parade, homecoming, or a
17 similar noncurriculum-related school activity.

18 (Source: P.A. 102-544, eff. 8-20-21.)