

104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**State of Illinois****2025 and 2026****SB2143**

Introduced 2/7/2025, by Sen. Bill Cunningham

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/18d-123 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires a commercial vehicle safety relocater to give at least one-hour notice to the owner of a vehicle located on private property prior to towing the vehicle. Prohibits a property owner, property manager, or government-owned property manager from enforcing a registration sticker violation for any vehicle located on the property and having the vehicle towed based on the registration sticker violation. Prohibits a property owner or property manager from having a vehicle towed or threatening to have a vehicle towed off the property if the owner of the vehicle is in the process of being evicted from the property. Provides that if a vehicle is a hazard to the community and requires immediate removal, then local law enforcement may impound the vehicle from the private property with the consent of the property owner. Requires, within 72 hours of a vehicle being towed, a commercial vehicle safety relocater to provide the vehicle owner with a statement that provides clear evidence of the violation for which the vehicle was towed. Requires every vehicle used by a commercial vehicle safety relocater to be owned or leased directly by the commercial vehicle safety relocater, and every such vehicle must display the same signage displayed at the property of the commercial vehicle safety relocater's impound lot. Requires every commercial vehicle safety relocater to display a copy of the amendatory Act at all of its impound lots. Requires a commercial vehicle safety relocater to update its contracts with property owners every 12 months. Provides that a commercial vehicle safety relocater that violates the provisions shall be fined \$500 for each violation. Applies the provisions only to towing vehicles located on private property.

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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 adding
5 Section 18d-123 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/18d-123 new)

7 Sec. 18d-123. Private property towing.

8 (a) Before towing a vehicle located on private property, a
9 commercial vehicle safety relocater shall give notice to the
10 owner of the vehicle by placing a notice in a conspicuous
11 location on the car, but not in a location that may obstruct
12 the driver's view. The notice shall include a time-stamp and
13 GPS location to confirm the location of the vehicle. The
14 commercial vehicle safety relocater shall then wait at least
15 one hour before towing the vehicle.

16 (b) In no event shall a property owner, property manager,
17 or government-owned property manager enforce a registration
18 sticker violation, including expiration of the registration
19 sticker or failure to display the registration sticker, for
20 any vehicle located on the property and have the vehicle towed
21 based on the registration sticker violation.

22 (c) No property owner or property manager shall have a
23 vehicle towed or threaten to have a vehicle towed off the

1 property if the owner of the vehicle is in the process of being
2 evicted from the property.

3 (d) If a vehicle is a hazard to the community and requires
4 immediate removal, then local law enforcement may impound the
5 vehicle from the private property with the consent of the
6 property owner. The property owner shall not allow any other
7 entity to tow the vehicle under this subsection.

8 (e) Within 72 hours of a vehicle being towed, a commercial
9 vehicle safety relocater shall provide the vehicle owner with
10 a statement that provides clear evidence of the violation for
11 which the vehicle was towed. This statement may include, but
12 is not limited to, a time-stamped photograph and GPS location
13 of the vehicle during the violation.

14 (f) Every vehicle used by a commercial vehicle safety
15 relocater must be owned or leased directly by the commercial
16 vehicle safety relocater. Every vehicle used by a commercial
17 vehicle safety relocater must display the same signage
18 displayed at the property of the commercial vehicle safety
19 relocater's impound lot.

20 (g) Every commercial vehicle safety relocater shall
21 display a copy of this amendatory Act of the 104th General
22 Assembly at all of its impound lots. The display shall be in a
23 conspicuous location and in 2-inch letters. The display shall
24 clearly state that a brochure containing the full details of
25 this amendatory Act of the 104th General Assembly is available
26 upon request to the commercial vehicle safety relocater at no

1 additional cost to the vehicle owner.

2 (h) A commercial vehicle safety relocater shall update its
3 contracts with property owners every 12 months. The contracts
4 shall include a clause stating that the contract does not
5 automatically renew and the contract will expire in 12 months,
6 requiring a new contract to be signed.

7 (i) Any commercial vehicle safety relocater that violates
8 this Section shall be subject to a \$500 fine for each violation
9 and a hearing before the Commission. The Commission, in its
10 discretion, may impose additional penalties on the commercial
11 vehicle safety relocater, including, suspension or revocation
12 of the commercial vehicle safety relocater's license or other
13 disciplinary action.

14 (j) This Section applies only to towing vehicles located
15 on private property.