



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0260

Introduced 1/29/2021, by Rep. Kambium Buckner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/2-130 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the Secretary of State shall conduct a study on the feasibility of allowing the use of digital electronic license plates on passenger and commercial vehicles registered in the State. Provides that the report shall include information on the following areas: (1) jurisdictions currently offering digital electronic license plates for passenger vehicles and their creation and implementation comments; (2) jurisdictions currently offering digital electronic license plates for commercial vehicles; (3) cost of implementation and issuance in Illinois for both passenger and commercial vehicles; and (4) any benefits or deterrents to electronic vehicle registration. Provides that the report shall also examine and provide jurisdictional information concerning: (i) interaction with law enforcement and automated license plate readers; (ii) oversight of messaging on digital electronic license plates; and (iii) any other information the Secretary deems pertinent to the report. Provides that the Secretary of State shall update the report issued in 2016, pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 11 of the 99th General Assembly, regarding the issuance of an electronic driver's license to eligible drivers. Provides that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (1) advancements in technology since the initial report; (2) production information on other states offering an electronic driver's license to qualified drivers in their jurisdictions; and (3) cost and timeline to implement an electronic driver's license program in Illinois. Requires that the reports be filed with the General Assembly by July 1, 2022. Repeals the provisions on January 1, 2023. Effective immediately.

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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 2-130 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/2-130 new)

7 Sec. 2-130. Digital electronic license plate and driver's
8 license studies.

9 (a) The Secretary of State shall conduct a study on the
10 feasibility of allowing the use of digital electronic license
11 plates on passenger and commercial vehicles registered in
12 Illinois. This report shall include information on the
13 following areas: (1) jurisdictions currently offering digital
14 electronic license plates for passenger vehicles and their
15 creation and implementation comments; (2) jurisdictions
16 currently offering digital electronic license plates for
17 commercial vehicles; (3) cost of implementation and issuance
18 in this State for both passenger and commercial vehicles; and
19 (4) any benefits or deterrents to digital electronic vehicle
20 registration. The report shall also examine and provide
21 jurisdictional information concerning: (i) interaction with
22 law enforcement and automated license plate readers; (ii)
23 oversight of messaging on digital electronic license plates;

1 and (iii) any other information the Secretary deems pertinent
2 to the report.

3 This report and its findings may be combined with the
4 report and findings required under subsection (b) regarding
5 electronic driver's licenses. The Secretary shall submit the
6 report and its findings to the General Assembly on or before
7 July 1, 2022.

8 (b) Pursuant to the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 11
9 of the 99th General Assembly, the Secretary of State's Office
10 organized the Electronic Driver's License Task Force and
11 produced a report to the General Assembly on April 21, 2016
12 concerning the feasibility of offering an electronic driver's
13 license. The report recommended the Secretary of State further
14 monitor advancements in technology pertaining to the creation
15 and implementation of electronic driver's licenses.

16 The Secretary of State shall update the findings of the
17 original report to the General Assembly issued in 2016
18 regarding the issuance of an electronic driver's license to
19 eligible drivers. This report shall include, but not be
20 limited to: (1) advancements in technology since the initial
21 report; (2) production information on other states offering an
22 electronic driver's license to qualified drivers in their
23 jurisdictions; and (3) cost and timeline to implement an
24 electronic driver's license program in this State.

25 This report and its findings may be combined with the
26 report and findings required under subsection (a) regarding

1 digital electronic license plates for passenger and commercial
2 vehicles. The Secretary shall submit the report and its
3 findings to the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2022.

4 (c) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2023.

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
6 becoming law.