

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 12-830 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-830 new)

7 Sec. 12-830. Electric school buses.

8 (a) As used in this Section:

9 "Electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is exclusively
10 powered by and refueled by electricity, must be plugged in to
11 charge, and is licensed to drive on public roadways as defined
12 in the Electric Vehicle Rebate Act.

13 "Equity investment eligible community" and "eligible
14 community" are synonymous and mean the geographic areas
15 throughout the State which would most benefit from equitable
16 investments by the State designed to combat discrimination and
17 foster sustainable economic growth as defined in the Illinois
18 Power Agency Act.

19 "School bus" means every motor vehicle owned or operated
20 by or for any of the following entities for the transportation
21 of persons regularly enrolled as students in grade 12 or below
22 in connection with any activity of such entities as defined in
23 Section 1-182.

- 1 (b) All school buses shall be an electric vehicle if:
- 2 (1) it is newly purchased, leased, or contracted after
3 January 1, 2028;
- 4 (2) it provides transportation for enrolled students
5 operating primarily within an equity investment eligible
6 community or primarily serving students living in an
7 equity investment eligible community after January 1,
8 2030; and
- 9 (3) it provides transportation for enrolled students
10 in the State after January 1, 2035.

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
12 becoming law.