

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB2863

Introduced 1/24/2024, by Sen. Mike Simmons

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-315

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over a publicly owned paved bicycle trail in the State to erect permanent regulatory or warning signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of highway crossings unless the intersection where the trail crosses the highway is controlled by an official traffic control device or sign (now, the signage is required regardless of whether the intersection is controlled by an official traffic control device or sign). Provides that if the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned bicycle trails has actual knowledge of an emergency or safety hazard that creates a dangerous condition on a publicly owned paved bicycle trail, the authority shall take reasonable steps to erect temporary signage or other warning markers, including, but not limited to, cones, barricades, or drums, alerting pedestrians or cyclist of the dangerous condition (now, only temporary signage is required). Requires permanent signage erected or installed along the highways (rather than all signage erected or installed) to warn vehicular traffic to conform with the State manual and to be located at least 150 feet in advance of the crossing. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Section 11-315 as follows:

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Sec. 11-315. Paved bicycle trail signage. For the purposes this Section, "paved bicycle trail" includes trails accommodating bicycle traffic composed of aggregate, asphalt, bituminous treatment, concrete, crushed limestone, or any combination thereof. The authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned paved bicycle trails in the State shall erect permanent regulatory or warning signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of highway crossings unless the intersection where the trail crosses the highway is controlled by an official traffic control device or sign. If the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned bicycle trails has actual knowledge of an emergency or safety hazard that creates a dangerous condition on a publicly owned paved bicycle trail, the authority shall take reasonable steps to erect temporary signage or other warning markers, including, but not limited to, cones, barricades, or drums, alerting pedestrians or cyclist of the dangerous condition.

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- 1 The Department with reference to State highways under its 2 jurisdiction, and the local authority with reference to other highways under its jurisdiction, shall erect or install 3 4 permanent signage or markings warning vehicular traffic in 5 advance of bicycle trail crossings. Permanent signage erected 6 or installed along the highways to warn vehicular traffic as part of this Section shall conform with the State manual and 7 permanent advanced warning signage shall be located at least 8 9 150 feet in advance of the crossing. This Section shall not 10 apply to rustic or primitive trails.
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.

(Source: P.A. 103-386, eff. 1-1-24.)