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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/5-101

from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 5-101

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning new vehicle dealers.

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AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing
Section 5-101 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/5-101) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 5-101)

Sec. 5-101. New vehicle dealers must be licensed.

8 (a) No person shall engage in this State in the the 9 business of selling or dealing in, on consignment or otherwise, new vehicles of any make, or act as an intermediary or agent or 10 broker for any licensed dealer or vehicle purchaser other than 11 as a salesperson, or represent or advertise that he is so 12 13 engaged or intends to so engage in such business unless 14 licensed to do so in writing by the Secretary of State under the provisions of this Section. 15

(b) An application for a new vehicle dealer's license shall be filed with the Secretary of State, duly verified by oath, on such form as the Secretary of State may by rule or regulation prescribe and shall contain:

The name and type of business organization of the
 applicant and his established and additional places of
 business, if any, in this State.

2. If the applicant is a corporation, a list of its

officers, directors, and shareholders having a ten percent 1 2 or greater ownership interest in the corporation, setting 3 forth the residence address of each; if the applicant is a sole proprietorship, a partnership, an unincorporated 4 5 association, a trust, or any similar form of business organization, the name and residence address of 6 the 7 proprietor or of each partner, member, officer, director, 8 trustee, or manager.

9 3. The make or makes of new vehicles which the
10 applicant will offer for sale at retail in this State.

11 4. The name of each manufacturer or franchised 12 distributor, if any, of new vehicles with whom the applicant has contracted for the sale of such new vehicles. 13 14 As evidence of this fact, the application shall be 15 accompanied by а signed statement from each such 16 manufacturer or franchised distributor. If the applicant 17 is in the business of offering for sale new conversion vehicles, trucks or vans, except for trucks modified to 18 19 serve a special purpose which includes but is not limited 20 to the following vehicles: street sweepers, fertilizer 21 spreaders, emergency vehicles, implements of husbandry or 22 maintenance type vehicles, he must furnish evidence of a 23 and service agreement from both the sales chassis 24 manufacturer and second stage manufacturer.

25 5. A statement that the applicant has been approved for
 26 registration under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act by the

Department of Revenue: Provided that this requirement does 1 2 not apply to a dealer who is already licensed hereunder 3 with the Secretary of State, and who is merely applying for a renewal of his license. As evidence of this fact, the 4 5 application shall be accompanied by a certification from 6 the Department of Revenue showing that that Department has 7 the applicant for registration approved under the 8 Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

9 6. A statement that the applicant has complied with the 10 appropriate liability insurance requirement. A Certificate 11 of Insurance in a solvent company authorized to do business 12 in the State of Illinois shall be included with each 13 application covering each location at which he proposes to 14 act as a new vehicle dealer. The policy must provide 15 liability coverage in the minimum amounts of \$100,000 for 16 bodily injury to, or death of, any person, \$300,000 for 17 bodily injury to, or death of, two or more persons in any one accident, and \$50,000 for damage to property. Such 18 19 policy shall expire not sooner than December 31 of the year 20 for which the license was issued or renewed. The expiration 21 of the insurance policy shall not terminate the liability 22 under the policy arising during the period for which the 23 policy was filed. Trailer and mobile home dealers are 24 exempt from this requirement.

25 If the permitted user has a liability insurance policy 26 that provides automobile liability insurance coverage of

at least \$100,000 for bodily injury to or the death of any 1 2 person, \$300,000 for bodily injury to or the death of any 2 3 or more persons in any one accident, and \$50,000 for damage to property, then the permitted user's insurer shall be the 4 5 primary insurer and the dealer's insurer shall be the 6 secondary insurer. If the permitted user does not have a 7 liability insurance policy that provides automobile 8 liability insurance coverage of at least \$100,000 for 9 bodily injury to or the death of any person, \$300,000 for 10 bodily injury to or the death of any 2 or more persons in 11 any one accident, and \$50,000 for damage to property, or 12 does not have any insurance at all, then the dealer's insurer shall be the primary insurer and the permitted 13 14 user's insurer shall be the secondary insurer.

When a permitted user is "test driving" a new vehicle dealer's automobile, the new vehicle dealer's insurance shall be primary and the permitted user's insurance shall be secondary.

19 As used in this paragraph 6, a "permitted user" is a 20 person who, with the permission of the new vehicle dealer 21 or an employee of the new vehicle dealer, drives a vehicle 22 owned and held for sale or lease by the new vehicle dealer 23 which the person is considering to purchase or lease, in 24 order to evaluate the performance, reliability, or 25 condition of the vehicle. The term "permitted user" also 26 includes a person who, with the permission of the new

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vehicle dealer, drives a vehicle owned or held for sale or lease by the new vehicle dealer for loaner purposes while the user's vehicle is being repaired or evaluated.

As used in this paragraph 6, "test driving" occurs when 4 5 a permitted user who, with the permission of the new vehicle dealer or an employee of the new vehicle dealer, 6 drives a vehicle owned and held for sale or lease by a new 7 8 vehicle dealer that the person is considering to purchase lease, 9 order to evaluate the performance, or in 10 reliability, or condition of the vehicle.

As used in this paragraph 6, "loaner purposes" means when a person who, with the permission of the new vehicle dealer, drives a vehicle owned or held for sale or lease by the new vehicle dealer while the user's vehicle is being repaired or evaluated.

7. (A) An application for a new motor vehicle dealer's license shall be accompanied by the following license fees:

\$1,000 for applicant's established place 18 of 19 business, and \$100 for each additional place of 20 business, if any, to which the application pertains; but if the application is made after June 15 of any 21 22 year, the license fee shall be \$500 for applicant's 23 established place of business plus \$50 for each 24 additional place of business, if any, to which the 25 application pertains. License fees shall be returnable 26 only in the event that the application is denied by the - 6 - LRB095 17950 LCT 44032 b

Secretary of State. All moneys received by the 1 2 Secretary of State as license fees under paragraph 3 (7) (A) of subsection (b) of this Section prior to applications for the 2004 licensing year shall be 4 5 deposited into the Motor Vehicle Review Board Fund and shall be used to administer the Motor Vehicle Review 6 7 Board under the Motor Vehicle Franchise Act. Of the money received by the Secretary of State as license 8 9 fees under paragraph (7)(A) of subsection (b) of this 10 Section for the 2004 licensing year and thereafter, 10% 11 shall be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Review Board 12 Fund and shall be used to administer the Motor Vehicle 13 Review Board under the Motor Vehicle Franchise Act and 14 90% shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

(B) An application for a new vehicle dealer's
license, other than for a new motor vehicle dealer's
license, shall be accompanied by the following license
fees:

19 \$1,000 for applicant's established place of 20 business, and \$50 for each additional place of 21 business, if any, to which the application pertains; 22 but if the application is made after June 15 of any 23 year, the license fee shall be \$500 for applicant's 24 established place of business plus \$25 for each 25 additional place of business, if any, to which the 26 application pertains. License fees shall be returnable

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only in the event that the application is denied by the
 Secretary of State. Of the money received by the
 Secretary of State as license fees under this
 subsection for the 2004 licensing year and thereafter,
 95% shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

6 8. А statement that the applicant's officers, 7 directors, shareholders having a 10% or greater ownership 8 interest therein, proprietor, a partner, member, officer, 9 director, trustee, manager or other principals in the business have not committed in the past 3 years any one 10 11 violation as determined in any civil, criminal or 12 administrative proceedings of any one of the following 13 Acts:

14 (A) The Anti Theft Laws of the Illinois Vehicle15 Code;

16 (B) The Certificate of Title Laws of the Illinois
17 Vehicle Code;

(C) The Offenses against Registration and
 Certificates of Title Laws of the Illinois Vehicle
 Code;

(D) The Dealers, Transporters, Wreckers and
 Rebuilders Laws of the Illinois Vehicle Code;

(E) Section 21-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961,
Criminal Trespass to Vehicles; or

25 (F) The Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.
26 9. A statement that the applicant's officers,

directors, shareholders having a 10% or greater ownership interest therein, proprietor, partner, member, officer, director, trustee, manager or other principals in the business have not committed in any calendar year 3 or more violations, as determined in any civil, criminal or administrative proceedings, of any one or more of the following Acts:

8 (A) The Consumer Finance Act;

(B) The Consumer Installment Loan Act;

(C) The Retail Installment Sales Act;

11 (D) The Motor Vehicle Retail Installment Sales
12 Act;

(E) The Interest Act;

(F) The Illinois Wage Assignment Act;

15 (G) Part 8 of Article XII of the Code of Civil
16 Procedure; or

(H) The Consumer Fraud Act.

10. A bond or certificate of deposit in the amount of 18 19 \$20,000 for each location at which the applicant intends to act as a new vehicle dealer. The bond shall be for the term 20 21 of the license, or its renewal, for which application is 22 made, and shall expire not sooner than December 31 of the 23 year for which the license was issued or renewed. The bond 24 shall run to the People of the State of Illinois, with 25 surety by a bonding or insurance company authorized to do 26 business in this State. It shall be conditioned upon the

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proper transmittal of all title and registration fees and taxes (excluding taxes under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act) accepted by the applicant as a new vehicle dealer.

4 11. Such other information concerning the business of
5 the applicant as the Secretary of State may by rule or
6 regulation prescribe.

7 12. A statement that the applicant understands Chapter
8 One through Chapter Five of this Code.

9 (c) Any change which renders no longer accurate any 10 information contained in any application for a new vehicle 11 dealer's license shall be amended within 30 days after the 12 occurrence of such change on such form as the Secretary of 13 State may prescribe by rule or regulation, accompanied by an 14 amendatory fee of \$2.

15 (d) Anything in this Chapter 5 to the contrary 16 notwithstanding no person shall be licensed as a new vehicle 17 dealer unless:

He is authorized by contract in writing between
 himself and the manufacturer or franchised distributor of
 such make of vehicle to so sell the same in this State, and

2. Such person shall maintain an established place ofbusiness as defined in this Act.

(e) The Secretary of State shall, within a reasonable time after receipt, examine an application submitted to him under this Section and unless he makes a determination that the application submitted to him does not conform with the

requirements of this Section or that grounds exist for a denial 1 2 of the application, under Section 5-501 of this Chapter, grant the applicant an original new vehicle dealer's license in 3 writing for his established place of business 4 and а 5 supplemental license in writing for each additional place of 6 business in such form as he may prescribe by rule or regulation which shall include the following: 7

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1. The name of the person licensed;

9 2. If a corporation, the name and address of its 10 officers or if a sole proprietorship, a partnership, an 11 unincorporated association or any similar form of business 12 organization, the name and address of the proprietor or of 13 each partner, member, officer, director, trustee or 14 manager;

15 3. In the case of an original license, the established16 place of business of the licensee;

17 4. In the case of a supplemental license, the
18 established place of business of the licensee and the
19 additional place of business to which such supplemental
20 license pertains;

5. The make or makes of new vehicles which the licenseeis licensed to sell.

(f) The appropriate instrument evidencing the license or a certified copy thereof, provided by the Secretary of State, shall be kept posted conspicuously in the established place of business of the licensee and in each additional place of

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1 business, if any, maintained by such licensee.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (h) hereof, all new vehicle dealer's licenses granted under this Section shall expire by operation of law on December 31 of the calendar year for which they are granted unless sooner revoked or cancelled under the provisions of Section 5-501 of this Chapter.

(h) A new vehicle dealer's license may be renewed upon 7 8 application and payment of the fee required herein, and 9 submission of proof of coverage under an approved bond under 10 the "Retailers' Occupation Tax Act" or proof that applicant is 11 not subject to such bonding requirements, as in the case of an 12 original license, but in case an application for the renewal of 13 an effective license is made during the month of December, the 14 effective license shall remain in force until the application 15 is granted or denied by the Secretary of State.

16 (i) All persons licensed as a new vehicle dealer are17 required to furnish each purchaser of a motor vehicle:

In the case of a new vehicle a manufacturer's
 statement of origin and in the case of a used motor vehicle
 a certificate of title, in either case properly assigned to
 the purchaser;

2. A statement verified under oath that all identifying
numbers on the vehicle agree with those on the certificate
of title or manufacturer's statement of origin;

25 3. A bill of sale properly executed on behalf of such26 person;

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4. A copy of the Uniform Invoice-transaction reporting
 return referred to in Section 5-402 hereof;

3 5. In the case of a rebuilt vehicle, a copy of the
4 Disclosure of Rebuilt Vehicle Status; and

6. In the case of a vehicle for which the warranty has
been reinstated, a copy of the warranty.

7 (j) Except at the time of sale or repossession of the 8 vehicle, no person licensed as a new vehicle dealer may issue 9 any other person a newly created key to a vehicle unless the 10 new vehicle dealer makes a copy of the driver's license or 11 State identification card of the person requesting or obtaining 12 the newly created key. The new vehicle dealer must retain the 13 copy for 30 days.

A new vehicle dealer who violates this subsection (j) is guilty of a petty offense. Violation of this subsection (j) is not cause to suspend, revoke, cancel, or deny renewal of the new vehicle dealer's license.

18 This amendatory Act of 1983 shall be applicable to the 1984 19 registration year and thereafter.

20 (Source: P.A. 92-391, eff. 8-16-01; 92-835, eff. 6-1-03; 93-32, 21 eff. 7-1-03.)