

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 changing
5 Section 11-709.2 and by adding Section 11-709.4 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-709.2)

7 Sec. 11-709.2. Bus on shoulder pilot program.

8 (a) For purposes of this Section, "bus on shoulders" is the
9 use of specifically designated shoulders of roadways by
10 authorized transit buses. The shoulders may be used by transit
11 buses at times and locations as set by the Department in
12 cooperation with the Regional Transportation Authority and the
13 Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation
14 Authority.

15 (b) Commencing on the effective date of this amendatory Act
16 of the 97th General Assembly, the Department along with the
17 Regional Transportation Authority and Suburban Bus Division of
18 the Regional Transportation Authority in cooperation with the
19 Illinois State Police shall establish a 5-year pilot program
20 within the boundaries of the Regional Transportation Authority
21 for transit buses on highways and shoulders. The pilot program
22 may be implemented on shoulders of highways as designated by
23 the Department in cooperation with the Regional Transportation

1 Authority and Suburban Bus Division of the Regional
2 Transportation Authority and any affected local highway
3 authorities. The Department may adopt rules necessary for
4 approving, establishing, operating, evaluating, and reporting
5 on the pilot program for transit buses to use roadway
6 shoulders.

7 (c) After the pilot program established under subsection
8 (b) of this Section has been operating for 2 years, the
9 Department in cooperation with the Regional Transit Authority,
10 the Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation
11 Authority, and the Illinois State Police shall issue a report
12 to the General Assembly on the effectiveness of the bus on
13 shoulders pilot program.

14 (Source: P.A. 97-292, eff. 8-11-11.)

15 (625 ILCS 5/11-709.4 new)

16 Sec. 11-709.4. Randall Road bus on shoulder pilot program.

17 (a) One year after the effective date of this amendatory
18 Act of the 97th General Assembly, the Department, along with
19 the Regional Transportation Authority and Suburban Bus
20 Division of the Regional Transportation Authority, in
21 cooperation with the Kane County Division of Transportation,
22 shall establish a 5-year pilot program on the Randall Road
23 corridor in Kane County for transit buses. The Department may
24 adopt rules for approving, establishing, operating,
25 evaluating, and reporting on the pilot program for transit

1 buses to use roadway shoulders.

2 (b) After the pilot program established under subsection
3 (a) of this Section has been operating for 2 years, the
4 Department, in cooperation with the Regional Transit
5 Authority, the Suburban Bus Division of the Regional
6 Transportation Authority, and the Kane County Division of
7 Transportation, shall issue a report to the General Assembly on
8 the effectiveness of the bus pilot program.

9 (c) The pilot program is subject to appropriation and
10 approval by the Department, the Regional Transportation
11 Authority, the Suburban Bus Division of the Regional
12 Transportation Authority, and the Kane County Division of
13 Transportation.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law.