

1 AN ACT in regard to vehicles.

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
5 changing Section 3-412 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-412) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-412)

7 Sec. 3-412. Registration plates and registration
8 stickers to be furnished by the Secretary of State.

9 (a) The Secretary of State upon registering a vehicle
10 subject to annual registration for the first time shall
11 issue or shall cause to be issued to the owner one
12 registration plate for a motorcycle, trailer, semitrailer,
13 motorized pedalcycle or truck-tractor, 2 registration plates
14 for other motor vehicles and, where applicable, current
15 registration stickers for motor vehicles of the first
16 division. The provisions of this Section may be made
17 applicable to such vehicles of the second division, as the
18 Secretary of State may, from time to time, in his or her
19 discretion designate. On subsequent annual registrations
20 during the term of the registration plate as provided in
21 Section 3-414.1, the Secretary shall issue or cause to be
22 issued registration stickers as evidence of current
23 registration. However, the issuance of annual registration
24 stickers to vehicles registered under the provisions of
25 Section 3-402.1 of this Code may not be required if the
26 Secretary deems the issuance unnecessary.

27 (b) Every registration plate shall have displayed upon
28 it the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which
29 it is issued, the name of this State, which may be
30 abbreviated, the year number for which it was issued, which
31 may be abbreviated, the phrase "Land of Lincoln", (except as

1 otherwise provided in this Code) Sections--3-626, 3-629,
2 3-633, 3-634, 3-637, 3-638, and 3-642, and such other letters
3 or numbers as the Secretary may prescribe. However, for
4 apportionment plates issued to vehicles registered under
5 Section 3-402.1, the phrase "Land of Lincoln" may be omitted
6 to allow for the word "apportioned" to be displayed. The
7 Secretary may in his discretion prescribe that letters be
8 used as prefixes only on registration plates issued to
9 vehicles of the first division which are registered under
10 this Code and only as suffixes on registration plates issued
11 to other vehicles. Every registration sticker issued as
12 evidence of current registration shall designate the year
13 number for which it is issued and such other letters or
14 numbers as the Secretary may prescribe and shall be of a
15 contrasting color with the registration plates and
16 registration stickers of the previous year.

17 (c) Each registration plate and the required letters and
18 numerals thereon, except the year number for which issued,
19 shall be of sufficient size to be plainly readable from a
20 distance of 100 feet during daylight, and shall be coated
21 with reflectorizing material. The dimensions of the plate
22 issued to vehicles of the first division shall be 6 by 12
23 inches.

24 (d) The Secretary of State shall issue for every
25 passenger motor vehicle rented without a driver the same type
26 of registration plates as the type of plates issued for a
27 private passenger vehicle.

28 (e) The Secretary of State shall issue for every
29 passenger car used as a taxicab or livery, distinctive
30 registration plates.

31 (f) The Secretary of State shall issue for every
32 motorcycle distinctive registration plates distinguishing
33 between motorcycles having 150 or more cubic centimeters
34 piston displacement, or having less than 150 cubic centimeter

1 piston displacement.

2 (g) Registration plates issued to vehicles for-hire may
3 display a designation as determined by the Secretary that
4 such vehicles are for-hire.

5 (h) The Secretary of State shall issue for each electric
6 vehicle distinctive registration plates which shall
7 distinguish between electric vehicles having a maximum
8 operating speed of 45 miles per hour or more and those having
9 a maximum operating speed of less than 45 miles per hour.

10 (i) The Secretary of State shall issue for every public
11 and private ambulance registration plates identifying the
12 vehicle as an ambulance. The Secretary shall forward to the
13 Department of Public Aid registration information for the
14 purpose of verification of claims filed with the Department
15 by ambulance owners for payment for services to public
16 assistance recipients.

17 (j) The Secretary of State shall issue for every public
18 and private medical carrier or rescue vehicle livery
19 registration plates displaying numbers within ranges of
20 numbers reserved respectively for medical carriers and rescue
21 vehicles. The Secretary shall forward to the Department of
22 Public Aid registration information for the purpose of
23 verification of claims filed with the Department by owners of
24 medical carriers or rescue vehicles for payment for services
25 to public assistance recipients.

26 (Source: P.A. 89-424, eff. 6-1-96; 89-564, eff. 7-1-97;
27 89-612, eff. 8-9-96; 89-621, eff. 1-1-97; 89-639, eff.
28 1-1-97; 90-14, eff. 7-1-97; 90-533, eff. 11-14-97; 90-655,
29 eff. 7-30-98; revised 12-06-01.)