

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 12-610.5 and adding Section 18c-7406 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/12-610.5)

Sec. 12-610.5. Registration ~~Tinted registration~~ plate covers.

(a) In this Section, "registration plate cover" means any tinted, colored, painted, marked, clear, or illuminated object that is designed to:

(1) cover any of the characters of a motor vehicle's registration plate; or

(2) distort a recorded image of any of the characters of a motor vehicle's registration plate recorded by an automated red light enforcement system as defined in Section 1-105.5 of this Code or recorded by an automated traffic control system as defined in Section 15 of the Automated Traffic Control Systems in Highway Construction or Maintenance Zones Act.

(b) ~~(a)~~ It shall be unlawful to operate any motor vehicle that is equipped with ~~tinted plastic or tinted glass~~ registration plate covers.

(c) A person may not sell or offer for sale a registration plate cover.

(d) A person may not advertise for the purpose of promoting the sale of registration plate covers.

(e) ~~(b)~~ A violation of this Section or a similar provision of a local ordinance shall be an offense against laws and ordinances regulating the movement of traffic.

(Source: P.A. 89-245, eff. 1-1-96.)

(625 ILCS 5/18c-7406 new)

Sec. 18c-7406. Closure of at-grade crossings; bicycle and pedestrian trails. When considering the closure of an at-grade railroad crossing to public use, the Commission shall consider the status of the crossing as an element of a bicycle and pedestrian trail funded under the federal Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) and its successor Acts.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law, except that the changes to Section 12-610.5 of the Illinois Vehicle Code take effect on January 1, 2006.