

1 AN ACT in relation 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 15-316 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/15-316) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 15-316)

7 Sec. 15-316. When the Department, local authority or road  
8 district highway commissioner may restrict right to use  
9 highways.

10 (a) Local authorities and road district highway  
11 commissioners with respect to highways under their  
12 jurisdiction may by ordinance or resolution prohibit the  
13 operation of vehicles upon any such highway or impose  
14 restrictions as to the weight of vehicles to be operated upon  
15 any such highway, for a total period of not to exceed 90 days  
16 in any one calendar year, whenever any said highway by reason  
17 of deterioration, rain, snow, or other climate conditions  
18 will be seriously damaged or destroyed unless the use of  
19 vehicles thereon is prohibited or the permissible weights  
20 thereof reduced.

21 (b) The local authority or road district highway  
22 commissioner enacting any such ordinance or resolution shall  
23 erect or cause to be erected and maintained signs designating  
24 the provision of the ordinance or resolution at each end of  
25 that portion of any highway affected thereby, and the  
26 ordinance or resolution shall not be effective unless and  
27 until such signs are erected and maintained.

28 (c) Local authorities and road district highway  
29 commissioners with respect to highways under their  
30 jurisdiction may also, by ordinance or resolution, prohibit  
31 the operation of trucks or other commercial vehicles, or may

1 impose limitations as the weight thereof, on designated  
2 highways, which prohibitions and limitations shall be  
3 designated by appropriate signs placed on such highways.

4 (c-1) The weight provisions of subsections (a), (b), and  
5 (c) take precedence over the provisions of subsections (d-1)  
6 and (d-2).

7 (d) The Department shall likewise have authority as  
8 hereinbefore granted to local authorities and road district  
9 highway commissioners to determine by resolution and to  
10 impose restrictions as to the weight of vehicles operated  
11 upon any highway under the jurisdiction of said department,  
12 and such restrictions shall be effective when signs giving  
13 notice thereof are erected upon the highway or portion of any  
14 highway affected by such resolution.

15 (d-1) Motor vehicles and motor vehicles in combination  
16 with gross weights not exceeding 73,280 pounds and up to 65  
17 feet in overall length and 102 inches in width operating on  
18 highways under the control of a county or township road  
19 district highway commissioner may have access for a distance  
20 of 5 miles from a State designated highway for the purpose of  
21 loading, unloading, services, and home base. No exemption  
22 shall be granted authorizing travel on local roads as a  
23 thoroughfare between State designated highways.

24 (d-2) Motor vehicles and motor vehicles in combination  
25 with gross weights not exceeding 73,280 pounds and up to 65  
26 feet in overall length and 102 inches in width operating on  
27 highways under the control of municipal authorities may have  
28 access for 5 miles from a State designated highway for the  
29 purpose of loading and unloading and one mile for food, fuel,  
30 repairs, and rest on those municipally controlled highways.  
31 No exemption shall be granted authorizing travel on municipal  
32 roads as a thoroughfare between State designated highways.

33 (d-5) A motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicles  
34 with a gross weight not exceeding 80,000 pounds and up to 65

1 feet in overall length and 102 inches in width hauling  
2 agricultural products may use highways under the jurisdiction  
3 of local authorities or a road district highway commissioner  
4 to transport those agricultural products from the field to  
5 grain bins or a grain elevator or from grain bins to a grain  
6 elevator, provided the motor vehicle or combination of motor  
7 vehicles uses the most direct route available to reach its  
8 destination.

9 (e) When any vehicle is operated in violation of this  
10 Section, the owner or driver of the vehicle shall be deemed  
11 guilty of a violation and either the owner or the driver of  
12 the vehicle may be prosecuted for the violation. Any person,  
13 firm, or corporation convicted of violating this Section  
14 shall be fined \$50 for any weight exceeding the posted limit  
15 up to the axle or gross weight limit allowed a vehicle as  
16 provided for in subsections (a) or (b) of Section 15-111 and  
17 \$75 per every 500 pounds or fraction thereof for any weight  
18 exceeding that which is provided for in subsections (a) or  
19 (b) of Section 15-111.

20 (f) A municipality is authorized to enforce a county  
21 weight limit ordinance applying to county highways within its  
22 corporate limits and is entitled to the proceeds of any fines  
23 collected from the enforcement.

24 (Source: P.A. 89-117, eff. 7-7-95; 89-687, eff. 6-1-97;  
25 90-211, eff. 1-1-98.)