

1 required by the Secretary of State, and be clearly visible at
2 all times."; and

3 in Section 5, by replacing Sec. 3-804.1 and Sec. 3-804.2 with
4 the following:

5 "(625 ILCS 5/3-804.1 new)

6 Sec. 3-804.1. Custom vehicles.

7 (a) The owner of a custom vehicle may register that
8 vehicle for the standard registration fee for a vehicle of
9 the first division, other than a motorcycle, motor driven
10 cycle, or pedalcycle, and obtain a custom vehicle plate. The
11 application for registration must be accompanied by an
12 affirmation of the owner that the vehicle will be maintained
13 for occasional transportation, exhibitions, club activities,
14 parades, tours, and similar uses and will not be used for
15 general daily transportation and also affirming that the
16 mechanical condition, physical condition, brakes, lights,
17 glass, and appearance of the vehicle is the same or as safe
18 as originally equipped. The Secretary may, in his or her
19 discretion, prescribe that custom vehicle plates be issued
20 for a definite or an indefinite term, the term to correspond
21 to the term of registration plates issued generally, as
22 provided in Section 3-414.1. In no event may the registration
23 fee for custom vehicles exceed the standard fee per
24 registration year. Any person requesting custom vehicle
25 plates under this Section may also apply to have vanity or
26 personalized plates as provided under Section 3-405.1.

27 (b) Upon initial registration of a custom vehicle, the
28 owner of the custom vehicle must provide proof acceptable to
29 the Secretary that, no more than 3 months before the date of
30 the application for registration, the custom vehicle passed a
31 safety inspection that (i) has been approved by the Secretary
32 and (ii) is equivalent to the National Street Rod
33 Association's prescribed vehicle safety inspection.

1 Except where otherwise provided, custom vehicles are
2 considered to be in compliance with all vehicle equipment
3 requirements if they have passed the approved vehicle safety
4 inspection.

5 (625 ILCS 5/3-804.2 new)

6 Sec. 3-804.2. Street rods.

7 (a) The owner of a street rod may register the vehicle
8 for the standard registration fee for a vehicle of the first
9 division, other than a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or
10 pedalcycle, and obtain a street rod plate. The application
11 for registration must be accompanied by an affirmation of the
12 owner that the vehicle will be maintained for occasional
13 transportation, exhibitions, club activities, parades, tours,
14 and similar uses and will not be used for general daily
15 transportation and also affirming that the mechanical
16 condition, physical condition, brakes, lights, glass, and
17 appearance of the vehicle is the same or as safe as
18 originally equipped. The Secretary may, in his or her
19 discretion, prescribe that street rod plates be issued for a
20 definite or an indefinite term, the term to correspond to the
21 term of registration plates issued generally, as provided in
22 Section 3-414.1. In no event may the registration fee for
23 street rods exceed the standard fee per registration year.
24 Any person requesting street rod plates under this Section
25 may also apply to have vanity or personalized plates as
26 provided under Section 3-405.1.

27 (b) Upon initial registration of a street rod, the owner
28 of the street rod must provide proof acceptable to the
29 Secretary that, no more than 3 months before the date of the
30 application for registration, the street rod passed a safety
31 inspection that (i) has been approved by the Secretary and
32 (ii) is equivalent to the National Street Rod Association's
33 prescribed vehicle safety inspection.

1 Except where otherwise provided, street rods are
2 considered to be in compliance with all vehicle equipment
3 requirements if they have passed the approved vehicle safety
4 inspection."; and

5 in Section 5, below Sec. 4-209, by inserting the following:

6 "(625 ILCS 5/12-201) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-201)

7 Sec. 12-201. When lighted lamps are required.

8 (a) When operated upon any highway in this State, every
9 motorcycle shall at all times exhibit at least one lighted
10 lamp, showing a white light visible for at least 500 feet in
11 the direction the motorcycle is proceeding. However, in lieu
12 of such lighted lamp, a motorcycle may be equipped with and
13 use a means of modulating the upper beam of the head lamp
14 between high and a lower brightness. No such head lamp shall
15 be modulated, except to otherwise comply with this Code,
16 during times when lighted lamps are required for other motor
17 vehicles.

18 (b) All other motor vehicles shall exhibit at least 2
19 lighted head lamps, with at least one on each side of the
20 front of the vehicle, which satisfy United States Department
21 of Transportation requirements, showing white lights,
22 including that emitted by high intensity discharge (HID)
23 lamps, or lights of a yellow or amber tint, during the period
24 from sunset to sunrise, at times when rain, snow, fog, or
25 other atmospheric conditions require the use of windshield
26 wipers, and at any other times when, due to insufficient
27 light or unfavorable atmospheric conditions, persons and
28 vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at a
29 distance of 1000 feet. Parking lamps may be used in addition
30 to but not in lieu of such head lamps. Every motor vehicle,
31 trailer, or semi-trailer shall also exhibit at least 2
32 lighted lamps, commonly known as tail lamps, which shall be
33 mounted on the left rear and right rear of the vehicle so as

1 to throw a red light visible for at least 500 feet in the
2 reverse direction, except that a truck tractor or road
3 tractor manufactured before January 1, 1968 and all
4 motorcycles need be equipped with only one such tail lamp.

5 (c) Either a tail lamp or a separate lamp shall be so
6 constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light a
7 rear registration plate when required and render it clearly
8 legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear. Any tail lamp
9 or tail lamps, together with any separate lamp or lamps for
10 illuminating a rear registration plate, shall be so wired as
11 to be lighted whenever the head lamps or auxiliary driving
12 lamps are lighted.

13 (d) A person shall install only head lamps that satisfy
14 United States Department of Transportation regulations and
15 show white light, including that emitted by HID lamps, or
16 light of a yellow or amber tint for use by a motor vehicle.

17 (e) For purposes of this Section, a custom vehicle or
18 street rod is considered to be in compliance with all vehicle
19 lamp requirements if it has passed the approved safety
20 inspection provided for in Section 3-804.1 or 3-804.2.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-130, eff. 1-1-00; 91-135, eff. 1-1-00;
22 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)"; and

23 in Section 5, by replacing Secs. 12-208 and 12-301 with the
24 following:

25 "(625 ILCS 5/12-208) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-208)

26 Sec. 12-208. Signal lamps and signal devices.

27 (a) Every vehicle other than an antique vehicle
28 displaying an antique plate operated in this State shall be
29 equipped with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of the vehicle
30 which shall display a red or amber light visible from a
31 distance of not less than 500 feet to the rear in normal
32 sunlight and which shall be actuated upon application of the
33 service (foot) brake, and which may but need not be

1 incorporated with other rear lamps. During times when lighted
2 lamps are not required, an antique vehicle may be equipped
3 with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of such vehicle of the
4 same type originally installed by the manufacturer as
5 original equipment and in working order. However, at all
6 other times, such antique vehicle must be equipped with stop
7 lamps meeting the requirements of Section 12-208 of this Act.

8 (b) Every motor vehicle other than an antique vehicle
9 displaying an antique plate shall be equipped with an
10 electric turn signal device which shall indicate the
11 intention of the driver to turn to the right or to the left
12 in the form of flashing lights located at and showing to the
13 front and rear of the vehicle on the side of the vehicle
14 toward which the turn is to be made. The lamps showing to the
15 front shall be mounted on the same level and as widely spaced
16 laterally as practicable and, when signaling, shall emit a
17 white or amber light, or any shade of light between white and
18 amber. The lamps showing to the rear shall be mounted on the
19 same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable and,
20 when signaling, shall emit a red or amber light. An antique
21 vehicle shall be equipped with a turn signal device of the
22 same type originally installed by the manufacturer as
23 original equipment and in working order.

24 (c) Every trailer and semitrailer shall be equipped with
25 an electric turn signal device which indicates the intention
26 of the driver in the power unit to turn to the right or to
27 the left in the form of flashing red or amber lights located
28 at the rear of the vehicle on the side toward which the turn
29 is to be made and mounted on the same level and as widely
30 spaced laterally as practicable.

31 (d) Turn signal lamps must be visible from a distance of
32 not less than 300 feet in normal sunlight.

33 (e) Motorcycles and motor-driven cycles need not be
34 equipped with electric turn signals. Antique vehicles need

1 not be equipped with turn signals unless such were installed
2 by the manufacturer as original equipment.

3 (f) For purposes of this Section, a custom vehicle or
4 street rod is considered to be in compliance with all signal
5 lamp and signal device requirements if it has passed the
6 approved safety inspection provided for in Section 3-804.1 or
7 3-804.2.

8 (Source: P.A. 77-37.)

9 (625 ILCS 5/12-301) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 12-301)
10 Sec. 12-301. Brakes.

11 (a) Brake equipment required.

12 1. Every motor vehicle, other than a motor-driven
13 cycle and an antique vehicle displaying an antique plate,
14 when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with
15 brakes adequate to control the movement of and to stop
16 and hold such vehicle, including 2 separate means of
17 applying the brakes, each of which means shall be
18 effective to apply the brakes to at least one wheel on a
19 motorcycle and at least 2 wheels on all other first
20 division and second division vehicles. If these 2
21 separate means of applying the brakes are connected in
22 any way, they shall be so constructed that failure of any
23 one part of the operating mechanism shall not leave the
24 motor vehicle without brakes.

25 2. Every motor-driven cycle when operated upon a
26 highway shall be equipped with at least one brake which
27 may be operated by hand or foot.

28 3. Every antique vehicle shall be equipped with the
29 brakes of the same type originally installed by the
30 manufacturer as original equipment and in working order.

31 4. Every trailer or semitrailer of a gross weight
32 of over 3,000 pounds, when operated upon a highway must
33 be equipped with brakes adequate to control the movement

1 of, to stop and to hold such vehicle, and designed so as
2 to be operable by the driver of the towing vehicle from
3 its cab. Such brakes must be so designed and connected
4 that in case of an accidental breakaway of a towed
5 vehicle over 5,000 pounds, the brakes are automatically
6 applied.

7 5. Every motor vehicle, trailer, pole trailer or
8 semitrailer, sold in this State or operated upon the
9 highways shall be equipped with service brakes upon all
10 wheels of every such vehicle, except any motor-driven
11 cycle, and except that any trailer, pole trailer or
12 semitrailer 3,000 pounds gross weight or less need not be
13 equipped with brakes, and except that any trailer or
14 semitrailer with gross weight over 3,000 pounds but under
15 5,001 pounds need be equipped with brakes on only one
16 wheel on each side of the vehicle. Any motor vehicle and
17 truck tractor having 3 or more axles and manufactured
18 prior to July 25, 1980 need not have brakes on the front
19 wheels, except when such vehicles are equipped with at
20 least 2 steerable axles, the wheels of one such axle need
21 not be equipped with brakes. However, a vehicle that is
22 more than 30 years of age and which is driven on the
23 highways only in going to and returning from an antique
24 auto show or for servicing or for a demonstration need be
25 equipped with 2 wheel brakes only.

26 (b) Performance ability of brakes.

27 1. The service brakes upon any motor vehicle or
28 combination of vehicles operating on a level surface
29 shall be adequate to stop such vehicle or vehicles when
30 traveling 20 miles per hour within a distance of 30 feet
31 when upon dry asphalt or concrete pavement surface free
32 from loose material.

33 2. Under the above conditions the hand brake shall
34 be adequate to stop such vehicle or vehicles, except any

1 motorcycle, within a distance of 55 feet and the hand
2 brake shall be adequate to hold such vehicle or vehicles
3 stationary on any grade upon which operated.

4 3. Under the above conditions the service brakes
5 upon an antique vehicle shall be adequate to stop the
6 vehicle within a distance of 40 feet and the hand brake
7 adequate to stop the vehicle within a distance of 55
8 feet.

9 4. All braking distances specified in this Section
10 apply to all vehicles mentioned, whether such vehicles
11 are unloaded or are loaded to the maximum capacity
12 permitted under this Act.

13 5. All brakes shall be maintained in good working
14 order and shall be so adjusted as to operate as equally
15 as practicable with respect to the wheels on opposite
16 sides of the vehicle.

17 6. Brake assembly requirements for mobile homes
18 shall be the standards required by the United States
19 Department of Housing and Urban Development adopted under
20 Title VI of the Housing and Community Development Act of
21 1974.

22 (c) For purposes of this Section, a custom vehicle or
23 street rod is considered to be in compliance with all brake
24 equipment requirements if it has passed the approved vehicle
25 safety inspection provided for in Section 3-804.1 or 3-804.2.

26 (Source: P.A. 86-447; 86-1340.)"; and

27 in Section 5, Sec. 12-607, by replacing subsection (a) with
28 the following:

29 "(a) It shall be unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on
30 any highway of this State when the suspension system has been
31 modified from the original manufactured design by lifting the
32 body from the chassis in excess of 3 inches or to cause the
33 horizontal line from the front to the rear bumper to vary
34 over 3 inches in height when measured from a level surface of

1 the highway to the lower edge of the bumper, except that it
2 is unlawful to operate a street rod or custom vehicle when
3 the suspension system has been modified from the original
4 manufactured design so that the horizontal line from the
5 front to the rear bumper varies over 9 inches in height when
6 measured from a level surface of the highway to the lower
7 edge of the bumper."; and

8 in Section 5, by deleting Sec. 13-101.