Bicycle and Pedestrian Ways (IL)

This Act requires bicycle and pedestrian ways be included when planning transportation facilities, particularly within one mile of an urban area. The Act requires the state department of transportation establish design and construction standards for bicycle and pedestrian ways.

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Illinois
Public Act 95-0665
Status: Enacted into law in 2007.

Suggested State Legislation

(Title, enacting clause, etc.)

Section 1. [Short Title.] This Act shall be cited as “An Act to Promote Bicycle and Pedestrian Ways.”

Section 2. [Bicycle and Pedestrian Ways.]
(a) Bicycle and pedestrian ways shall be given full consideration in the planning and development of transportation facilities, including the incorporation of such ways into state plans and programs.
(b) In or within [one mile] of an urban area, bicycle and pedestrian ways shall be established in conjunction with the construction, reconstruction, or other change of any state transportation facility except:
   (1) in pavement resurfacing projects that do not widen the existing traveled way or do not provide stabilized shoulders; or
   (2) where approved by the [secretary of transportation] based upon documented safety issues, excessive cost or absence of need.
(c) Bicycle and pedestrian ways may be included in pavement resurfacing projects when local support is evident or bicycling and walking accommodations can be added within the overall scope of the original roadwork.
(d) The [department of transportation] shall establish design and construction standards for bicycle and pedestrian ways. Beginning [July 1, 2007], this Section shall apply to planning and training purposes only. Beginning [July 1, 2008], this Section shall apply to construction projects.

Section 3. [Severability.] [Insert severability clause.]

Section 4. [Repealer.] [Insert repealer clause.]

Section 5. [Effective Date.] [Insert effective date.]