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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON SENATE PASSAGE OF SB 957 DRIVER'S LICENSES  
FOR ALL ILLINOIS DRIVERS**

"I strongly support state legislation that will allow every Chicagoan, regardless of legal status, to enjoy the rights and responsibilities that come with a driver's license. I am encouraged to see SB 957 pass out of the Senate on a bipartisan roll call and hope the Illinois House will take quick action on the bill. This important legislation would support both the safety on our highways and what is sensible for immigrants in the state of Illinois.

I commend Senate President John Cullerton and Republican Leader Christine Radogno for their leadership on this bipartisan legislation which will require all Illinois drivers, including undocumented drivers, to get trained, licensed and insured. This legislation is a critical element in making Chicago the most immigrant-friendly city in the country."

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