

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB1228

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/8-4 720 ILCS 5/10-5 from Ch. 38, par. 8-4 from Ch. 38, par. 10-5

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that the penalty for attempted child abduction is a Class 3 felony (rather than a Class A misdemeanor). Provides that the penalty for child abduction is a Class X (rather than a Class 4) felony. Eliminates provision that a second or subsequent violation for child abduction by intentionally luring or attempting to lure a child under the age of 16 into a motor vehicle, building, housetrailer, or dwelling place without the consent of the child's parent or lawful custodian for other than a lawful purpose is a Class 3 felony.

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing
- 5 Sections 8-4 and 10-5 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/8-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 8-4)
- 7 Sec. 8-4. Attempt.
- 8 (a) Elements of the offense.
- 9 A person commits the offense of attempt when, with intent
- 10 to commit a specific offense, he or she does any act that
- 11 constitutes a substantial step toward the commission of that
- 12 offense.
- 13 (b) Impossibility.
- 14 It is not a defense to a charge of attempt that because of
- 15 a misapprehension of the circumstances it would have been
- 16 impossible for the accused to commit the offense attempted.
- 17 (c) Sentence.
- 18 A person convicted of attempt may be fined or imprisoned or
- 19 both not to exceed the maximum provided for the offense
- 20 attempted but, except for an attempt to commit the offense
- 21 defined in Section 33A-2 of this Code:
- 22 (1) the sentence for attempt to commit first degree
- 23 murder is the sentence for a Class X felony, except that

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- (A) an attempt to commit first degree murder when at least one of the aggravating factors specified in paragraphs (1), (2), and (12) of subsection (b) of Section 9-1 is present is a Class X felony for which the sentence shall be a term of imprisonment of not less than 20 years and not more than 80 years;
- (B) an attempt to commit first degree murder while armed with a firearm is a Class X felony for which 15 years shall be added to the term of imprisonment imposed by the court;
- (C) an attempt to commit first degree murder during which the person personally discharged a firearm is a Class X felony for which 20 years shall be added to the term of imprisonment imposed by the court;
- (D) an attempt to commit first degree murder during which the person personally discharged a firearm that proximately caused great bodily harm, permanent disability, permanent disfigurement, or death to another person is a Class X felony for which 25 years or up to a term of natural life shall be added to the term of imprisonment imposed by the court; and
- (E) if the defendant proves by a preponderance of the evidence at sentencing that, at the time of the attempted murder, he or she was acting under a sudden and intense passion resulting from serious provocation by the individual whom the defendant endeavored to

1	kill, or another, and, had the individual the defendant
2	endeavored to kill died, the defendant would have
3	negligently or accidentally caused that death, then
4	the sentence for the attempted murder is the sentence
5	for a Class 1 felony;
6	(1.5) the sentence for attempt to commit child
7	abduction is the sentence for a Class 3 felony;
8	(2) the sentence for attempt to commit a Class X felony
9	is the sentence for a Class 1 felony;
10	(3) the sentence for attempt to commit a Class 1 felony
11	is the sentence for a Class 2 felony;
12	(4) the sentence for attempt to commit a Class 2 felony
13	is the sentence for a Class 3 felony; and
14	(5) the sentence for attempt to commit any felony other
15	than those specified in items (1), (1.5) , (2), (3), and (4)
16	of this subsection (c) is the sentence for a Class A
17	misdemeanor.
18	(Source: P.A. 96-710, eff. 1-1-10.)
19	(720 ILCS 5/10-5) (from Ch. 38, par. 10-5)
20	Sec. 10-5. Child abduction.
21	(a) For purposes of this Section, the following terms have
22	the following meanings:
23	(1) "Child" means a person who, at the time the alleged
24	violation occurred, was under the age of 18 or severely or

profoundly mentally retarded.

- (2) "Detains" means taking or retaining physical custody of a child, whether or not the child resists or objects.
 - (3) "Lawful custodian" means a person or persons granted legal custody of a child or entitled to physical possession of a child pursuant to a court order. It is presumed that, when the parties have never been married to each other, the mother has legal custody of the child unless a valid court order states otherwise. If an adjudication of paternity has been completed and the father has been assigned support obligations or visitation rights, such a paternity order should, for the purposes of this Section, be considered a valid court order granting custody to the mother.
 - (4) "Putative father" means a man who has a reasonable belief that he is the father of a child born of a woman who is not his wife.
- (b) A person commits the offense of child abduction when he or she does any one of the following:
 - (1) Intentionally violates any terms of a valid court order granting sole or joint custody, care, or possession to another by concealing or detaining the child or removing the child from the jurisdiction of the court.
 - (2) Intentionally violates a court order prohibiting the person from concealing or detaining the child or removing the child from the jurisdiction of the court.

- (3) Intentionally conceals, detains, or removes the child without the consent of the mother or lawful custodian of the child if the person is a putative father and either:

 (A) the paternity of the child has not been legally established or (B) the paternity of the child has been legally established but no orders relating to custody have been entered. Notwithstanding the presumption created by paragraph (3) of subsection (a), however, a mother commits child abduction when she intentionally conceals or removes a child, whom she has abandoned or relinquished custody of, from an unadjudicated father who has provided sole ongoing care and custody of the child in her absence.
- (4) Intentionally conceals or removes the child from a parent after filing a petition or being served with process in an action affecting marriage or paternity but prior to the issuance of a temporary or final order determining custody.
- (5) At the expiration of visitation rights outside the State, intentionally fails or refuses to return or impedes the return of the child to the lawful custodian in Illinois.
- (6) Being a parent of the child, and if the parents of that child are or have been married and there has been no court order of custody, knowingly conceals the child for 15 days, and fails to make reasonable attempts within the 15-day period to notify the other parent as to the specific

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whereabouts of the child, including a means by which to contact the child, or to arrange reasonable visitation or contact with the child. It is not a violation of this Section for a person fleeing domestic violence to take the child with him or her to housing provided by a domestic violence program.

- (7) Being a parent of the child, and if the parents of the child are or have been married and there has been no court order of custody, knowingly conceals, detains, or removes the child with physical force or threat of physical force.
- (8) Knowingly conceals, detains, or removes the child for payment or promise of payment at the instruction of a person who has no legal right to custody.
- (9) Knowingly retains in this State for 30 days a child removed from another state without the consent of the lawful custodian or in violation of a valid court order of custody.
- (10) Intentionally lures or attempts to lure a child under the age of 16 into a motor vehicle, building, housetrailer, or dwelling place without the consent of the child's parent or lawful custodian for other than a lawful purpose. For the purposes of this item (10), the luring or attempted luring of a child under the age of 16 into a motor vehicle, building, housetrailer, or dwelling place without the consent of the child's parent or lawful

custodian is prima facie evidence of other than a lawful purpose.

- (11) With the intent to obstruct or prevent efforts to locate the child victim of a child abduction, knowingly destroys, alters, conceals, or disguises physical evidence or furnishes false information.
- (c) It is an affirmative defense to subsections (b)(1) through (b)(10) of this Section that:
 - (1) the person had custody of the child pursuant to a court order granting legal custody or visitation rights that existed at the time of the alleged violation;
 - (2) the person had physical custody of the child pursuant to a court order granting legal custody or visitation rights and failed to return the child as a result of circumstances beyond his or her control, and the person notified and disclosed to the other parent or legal custodian the specific whereabouts of the child and a means by which the child could be contacted or made a reasonable attempt to notify the other parent or lawful custodian of the child of those circumstances and made the disclosure within 24 hours after the visitation period had expired and returned the child as soon as possible;
 - (3) the person was fleeing an incidence or pattern of domestic violence; or
 - (4) the person lured or attempted to lure a child under the age of 16 into a motor vehicle, building, housetrailer,

or dwelling place for a lawful purpose in prosecutions under paragraph (10) of subsection (b).

- (d) A person convicted of child abduction under this Section is guilty of a Class \underline{X} 4 felony. A person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of paragraph (10) of subsection (b) of this Section is guilty of a Class 3 felony. It is a factor in aggravation under subsections (b) (1) through (b) (10) of this Section for which a court may impose a more severe sentence under Section 5-8-1 (730 ILCS 5/5-8-1) or Article 4.5 of Chapter V of the Unified Code of Corrections if, upon sentencing, the court finds evidence of any of the following aggravating factors:
 - (1) that the defendant abused or neglected the child following the concealment, detention, or removal of the child;
 - (2) that the defendant inflicted or threatened to inflict physical harm on a parent or lawful custodian of the child or on the child with intent to cause that parent or lawful custodian to discontinue criminal prosecution of the defendant under this Section;
 - (3) that the defendant demanded payment in exchange for return of the child or demanded that he or she be relieved of the financial or legal obligation to support the child in exchange for return of the child;
 - (4) that the defendant has previously been convicted of child abduction;

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- (5) that the defendant committed the abduction while armed with a deadly weapon or the taking of the child resulted in serious bodily injury to another; or
 - (6) that the defendant committed the abduction while in a school, regardless of the time of day or time of year; in playground; on any conveyance owned, leased, contracted by a school to transport students to or from school or a school related activity; on the real property of a school; or on a public way within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising any school or playground. For purposes of this paragraph (6), "playground" means a piece of land owned or controlled by a unit of local government that is designated by the unit of local government for use solely or primarily for children's recreation; "school" means a public or private elementary or secondary school, community college, college, or university.
- (e) The court may order the child to be returned to the parent or lawful custodian from whom the child was concealed, detained, or removed. In addition to any sentence imposed, the court may assess any reasonable expense incurred in searching for or returning the child against any person convicted of violating this Section.
- (f) Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to limit the court's contempt power.
- (g) Every law enforcement officer investigating an alleged incident of child abduction shall make a written police report

- 1 of any bona fide allegation and the disposition of that
- 2 investigation. Every police report completed pursuant to this
- 3 Section shall be compiled and recorded within the meaning of
- 4 Section 5.1 of the Criminal Identification Act.
- 5 (h) Whenever a law enforcement officer has reasons to
- 6 believe a child abduction has occurred, she or he shall provide
- 7 the lawful custodian a summary of her or his rights under this
- 8 Code, including the procedures and relief available to her or
- 9 him.
- 10 (i) If during the course of an investigation under this
- 11 Section the child is found in the physical custody of the
- defendant or another, the law enforcement officer shall return
- the child to the parent or lawful custodian from whom the child
- 14 was concealed, detained, or removed, unless there is good cause
- for the law enforcement officer or the Department of Children
- and Family Services to retain temporary protective custody of
- 17 the child pursuant to the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
- 18 Act.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 95-1052, eff. 7-1-09; 96-710, eff. 1-1-10;
- 20 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10.)