

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB1106

Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/12C-5

was 720 ILCS 5/12-21.6

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning endangering the life or health of a child.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

- Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing Section 12C-5 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/12C-5) (was 720 ILCS 5/12-21.6)
- 7 Sec. 12C-5. Endangering the life or health of a child.
- (a) A person commits endangering the the life or health of
 a child when he or she knowingly: (1) causes or permits the
 life or health of a child under the age of 18 to be endangered;
 or (2) causes or permits a child to be placed in circumstances
 that endanger the child's life or health. It is not a violation
 of this Section for a person to relinquish a child in
 accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act.
 - (b) A trier of fact may infer that a child 6 years of age or younger is unattended if that child is left in a motor vehicle for more than 10 minutes.
 - (c) "Unattended" means either: (i) not accompanied by a person 14 years of age or older; or (ii) if accompanied by a person 14 years of age or older, out of sight of that person.
- 21 (d) Sentence. A violation of this Section is a Class A 22 misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation of this Section 23 is a Class 3 felony. A violation of this Section that is a

- 1 proximate cause of the death of the child is a Class 3 felony
- 2 for which a person, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment,
- 3 shall be sentenced to a term of not less than 2 years and not
- 4 more than 10 years. A parent, who is found to be in violation
- 5 of this Section with respect to his or her child, may be
- 6 sentenced to probation for this offense pursuant to Section
- 7 12C-15.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 97-1109, eff. 1-1-13.)