

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 SB1666

Introduced 2/9/2011, by Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/12-21.6

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Adds, to the circumstances under which endangering the life or health of a child is a Class 3 felony for which the person, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment, shall be sentenced to a term of not less than 2 years and not more than 10 years, the following: that the violation is the proximate cause of great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement of the child; or that the violation occurs while the person is committing or attempting to commit another offense that is a felony or a Class A misdemeanor. Effective immediately.

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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 Section 12-21.6 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/12-21.6)
- 7 Sec. 12-21.6. Endangering the life or health of a child.
- 8 (a) It is unlawful for any person to willfully cause or
- 9 permit the life or health of a child under the age of 18 to be
- 10 endangered or to willfully cause or permit a child to be placed
- in circumstances that endanger the child's life or health,
- 12 except that it is not unlawful for a person to relinquish a
- 13 child in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant
- 14 Protection Act.
- 15 (b) There is a rebuttable presumption that a person
- 16 committed the offense if he or she left a child 6 years of age
- or younger unattended in a motor vehicle for more than 10
- 18 minutes.
- 19 (c) "Unattended" means either: (i) not accompanied by a
- 20 person 14 years of age or older; or (ii) if accompanied by a
- 21 person 14 years of age or older, out of sight of that person.
- 22 (d) A violation of this Section is a Class A misdemeanor. A
- 23 second or subsequent violation of this Section is a Class 3

- 1 felony. A violation of this Section that: (i) is a proximate
- 2 cause of the death, great bodily harm, or permanent disability
- 3 <u>or disfigurement</u> of the child, or (ii) occurs while the person
- 4 is committing or attempting to commit another offense that is a
- 5 felony or a Class A misdemeanor, is a Class 3 felony for which
- 6 a person, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment, shall be
- 7 sentenced to a term of not less than 2 years and not more than
- 8 10 years.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 92-408, eff. 8-17-01; 92-432, eff. 8-17-01;
- 10 92-515, eff. 6-1-02; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)
- 11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 12 becoming law.