

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB1115

Introduced 2/3/2015, by Rep. Michael J. Madigan

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/24-9

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning firearms.

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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 24-9 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/24-9)

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- 7 Sec. 24-9. Firearms; Child Protection.
- 8 (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), it is unlawful for any person to store or leave, within premises under his or her control, a firearm if the the person knows or has reason to 10 believe that a minor under the age of 14 years who does not 11 have a Firearm Owners Identification Card is likely to gain 12 access to the firearm without the lawful permission of the 13 14 minor's parent, guardian, or person having charge of the minor, and the minor causes death or great bodily harm with the 15 16 firearm, unless the firearm is:
 - (1) secured by a device or mechanism, other than the firearm safety, designed to render a firearm temporarily inoperable; or
 - (2) placed in a securely locked box or container; or
 - (3) placed in some other location that a reasonable person would believe to be secure from a minor under the age of 14 years.

- 1 (b) Sentence. A person who violates this Section is guilty
- 2 of a Class C misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than
- 3 \$1,000. A second or subsequent violation of this Section is a
- 4 Class A misdemeanor.
- 5 (c) Subsection (a) does not apply:
- 6 (1) if the minor under 14 years of age gains access to
- 7 a firearm and uses it in a lawful act of self-defense or
- 8 defense of another; or
- 9 (2) to any firearm obtained by a minor under the age of
- 10 14 because of an unlawful entry of the premises by the
- minor or another person.
- 12 (d) For the purposes of this Section, "firearm" has the
- meaning ascribed to it in Section 1.1 of the Firearm Owners
- 14 Identification Card Act.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 91-18, eff. 1-1-00.)