

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB2833

by Rep. Emily McAsey

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/1-2

from Ch. 38, par. 1-2

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

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AN ACT concerning criminal law. 1

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing
- 5 Section 1-2 as follows:
- (720 ILCS 5/1-2) (from Ch. 38, par. 1-2) 6
- 7 Sec. 1-2. General purposes. The The provisions of this Code
- shall be construed in accordance with the general purposes 8
- 9 hereof, to:
- (a) Forbid and prevent the commission of offenses; 10
- (b) Define adequately the act and mental state which 11
- constitute each offense, and limit the condemnation of conduct 12
- as criminal when it is without fault; 13
- 14 (c) Prescribe penalties which are proportionate to the
- seriousness of offenses and which permit recognition of 15
- 16 differences in rehabilitation possibilities among individual
- 17 offenders;
- (d) Prevent arbitrary or oppressive treatment of persons 18
- 19 accused or convicted of offenses.
- (Source: Laws 1961, p. 1983.) 20