

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 SB3068

Introduced 2/19/2016, by Sen. Michael Connelly

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/12C-50

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012 concerning hazing. Changes the elements of hazing. Changes the mental state for hazing from knowingly requiring the performance of any act by another to recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally subjecting a student or other person in a school, college, university, or other educational institution in the State to the risk of bodily or mental harm by performing or requiring the performance of an act, for the purpose of, or as a condition of, conferring, gaining or maintaining acceptance, membership, office, or other status in any group, organization, or society associated or connected with that institution, regardless of the student's or other person's express or implied consent or acquiescence, if: (1) the act or occurrence is neither sanctioned or authorized by that educational institution nor is a customary athletic event or similar contest or competition; and (2) the act or occurrence results in bodily or mental harm to any person.

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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:

- Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing Section 12C-50 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/12C-50)
- 7 Sec. 12C-50. Hazing.

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- (a) A person commits hazing when he or she recklessly, 8 9 knowingly, or intentionally subjects knowingly requires the performance of any act by a student or other person in a 10 school, college, university, or other educational institution 11 12 in of this State to the risk of bodily or mental harm by performing or requiring the performance of an act, for the 13 14 purpose of, or as a condition of, conferring, gaining or maintaining acceptance, membership, office, or other status 15 16 in, for the purpose of induction or admission into any group, organization, or society associated or connected with that 17 institution, regardless of the student's or other person's 18 19 express or implied consent or acquiescence, if:
  - (1) the act <u>or occurrence</u> is <u>neither</u> <del>not</del> sanctioned or authorized by that educational institution <u>nor is a customary athletic event or similar contest or competition; and</u>

- 1 (2) the act <u>or occurrence</u> results in bodily <u>or mental</u>
- 2 harm to any person.
- 3 (b) Sentence. Hazing is a Class A misdemeanor, except that
- 4 hazing that results in death or great bodily harm is a Class 4
- 5 felony.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 97-1109, eff. 1-1-13.)