

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB2752

Introduced 2/26/2007, by Rep. Michael J. Madigan - Barbara Flynn Currie - Robert S. Molaro

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

725 ILCS 5/119-5

from Ch. 38, par. 119-5

Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning to the execution of a death sentence.

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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 Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is amended by changing Section 119-5 as follows:
- 6 (725 ILCS 5/119-5) (from Ch. 38, par. 119-5)
- 7 Sec. 119-5. Execution of Death Sentence.
 - (a) (1) A defendant sentenced to death shall be executed by an intravenous administration of a lethal quantity of an ultrashort-acting barbiturate in combination with a chemical paralytic agent and and potassium chloride or other equally effective substances sufficient to cause death until death is pronounced by a coroner who is not a licensed physician.
 - (2) If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in paragraph (1) is held illegal or unconstitutional by a reviewing court of competent jurisdiction, the sentence of death shall be carried out by electrocution.
- 20 (b) In pronouncing the sentence of death the court shall
 21 set the date of the execution which shall be not less than 60
 22 nor more than 90 days from the date sentence is pronounced.
- 23 (c) A sentence of death shall be executed at a Department

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- 1 of Corrections facility.
 - (d) The warden of the penitentiary shall supervise such execution, which shall be conducted in the presence of 6 witnesses who shall certify the execution of the sentence. The certification shall be filed with the clerk of the court that imposed the sentence.
 - (d-5) The Department of Corrections shall not request, require, or allow a health care practitioner licensed in Illinois, including but not limited to physicians and nurses, regardless of employment, to participate in an execution.
 - (e) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection (e), the identity of executioners and other persons who participate or perform ancillary functions in an execution and information contained in records that would identify those persons shall remain confidential, shall not be subject to disclosure, and shall not be admissible as evidence or be discoverable in any action of any kind in any court or before any tribunal, board, agency, or person. In order to protect the confidentiality of participating in an execution, the Director persons Corrections may direct that the Department make payments in cash for such services. In confidential investigations by the Department of Professional Regulation, the Department of Corrections shall disclose the names and license numbers of practitioners participating care or performing ancillary functions in an execution to the Department of Professional Regulation and the Department of Professional

- 1 Regulation shall forward those names and license numbers to the
- 2 appropriate disciplinary boards.
- 3 (f) The amendatory changes to this Section made by this
- 4 amendatory Act of 1991 are severable under Section 1.31 of the
- 5 Statute on Statutes.
- 6 (g) (Blank).
- 7 (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any
- 8 pharmaceutical supplier is authorized to dispense drugs to the
- 9 Director of Corrections or his or her designee, without
- 10 prescription, in order to carry out the provisions of this
- 11 Section.
- 12 (i) The amendatory changes to this Section made by this
- amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly are severable under
- 14 Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 93-379, eff. 7-24-03.)