## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# State of Illinois

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### SB1043

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/1-2

from Ch. 38, par. 1-2

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the general purposes of the Code.

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

#### Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 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:

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(a) Forbid and prevent the commission of offenses;

(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