



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB5218

Introduced 2/10/2026, by Rep. Dave Vella

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/5-8-1.6 new

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that an individual convicted of a sex offense and released from the Department of Corrections to mandatory supervised release shall, to the extent practicable, be placed on mandatory supervised release in either: (1) the sentencing community or (2) a community of connection. Provides that placement outside the sentencing community or a community of connection may occur only upon a documented determination by the Department of Corrections that such placement is necessary due to one or more of the following: (1) verified public safety concerns; (2) victim safety considerations, including the location of a victim or the existence of protective orders; (3) the unavailability of compliant housing that satisfies statutory or mandatory supervised release conditions; or (4) the unavailability of required treatment, monitoring, or supervision resources. Provides that prior to release, the Department of Corrections shall develop an individualized reentry plan for each individual subject to the provision that identifies the sentencing community and any communities of connection and evaluates appropriate housing, treatment, and supervision options. Provides that nothing in the provision shall be construed to limit the authority of the Department of Corrections to impose conditions of mandatory supervised release necessary to protect public safety or to comply with existing law. Provides that the Department of Corrections shall submit an annual report to the General Assembly no later than March 1 of each year containing aggregate data regarding: (1) mandatory supervised release placement patterns for individuals convicted of sex offenses; (2) the number of placements made outside sentencing communities or communities of connection; (3) the primary reasons for such placements; and (4) geographic distribution by county. Provides that the report shall not include personally identifying information. Defines "sex offense", "sentencing community", and "community of connection". Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by  
5 adding Section 5-8-1.6 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/5-8-1.6 new)

7 Sec. 5-8-1.6. Mandatory supervised release placement for  
8 persons convicted of sex offenses.

9 (a) In this Section:

10 "Community of connection" means a community in which the  
11 individual has one or more verified ties, including, but not  
12 limited to, prior residence, family presence, verified  
13 employment or employment opportunities, enrollment in or  
14 acceptance to treatment or support services, or other  
15 substantial connections as determined by the Department of  
16 Corrections.

17 "Mandatory supervised release" has the meaning ascribed to  
18 it in Section 5-8-1.

19 "Sentencing community" means the county or municipality in  
20 which the individual was convicted and sentenced.

21 "Sex offense" means an offense required to be registered  
22 under the Sex Offender Registration Act.

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(b) An individual convicted of a sex offense and released from the Department of Corrections to mandatory supervised release shall, to the extent practicable, be placed on mandatory supervised release in either:

(1) the sentencing community; or

(2) a community of connection.

(c) Placement outside the sentencing community or a community of connection may occur only upon a documented determination by the Department of Corrections that such placement is necessary due to one or more of the following:

(1) verified public safety concerns;

(2) victim safety considerations, including the location of a victim or the existence of protective orders;

(3) the unavailability of compliant housing that satisfies statutory or mandatory supervised release conditions; or

(4) the unavailability of required treatment, monitoring, or supervision resources.

(d) In determining placement under this Section, the Department of Corrections shall consider community impact, including:

(1) the existing concentration of individuals on mandatory supervised release for sex offenses in the proposed community;

1           (2) the capacity of local supervision and monitoring  
2           resources; and

3           (3) the availability of housing, employment, and  
4           treatment services.

5           The Department shall make reasonable efforts to avoid  
6           disproportionately burdening any single municipality,  
7           neighborhood, or county with mandatory supervised release  
8           placements for individuals convicted of sex offenses.

9           (e) Prior to release, the Department of Corrections shall  
10          develop an individualized reentry plan for each individual  
11          subject to this Section that identifies the sentencing  
12          community and any communities of connection and evaluates  
13          appropriate housing, treatment, and supervision options.

14          (f) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit  
15          the authority of the Department of Corrections to impose  
16          conditions of mandatory supervised release necessary to  
17          protect public safety or to comply with existing law.

18          (g) The Department of Corrections shall submit an annual  
19          report to the General Assembly no later than March 1 of each  
20          year containing aggregate data regarding:

21               (1) mandatory supervised release placement patterns  
22               for individuals convicted of sex offenses;

23               (2) the number of placements made outside sentencing  
24               communities or communities of connection;

25               (3) the primary reasons for such placements; and

26               (4) geographic distribution by county.

1       The report shall not include personally identifying  
2       information.

3       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4       becoming law.