

104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2025 and 2026 SB0272

Introduced 1/24/2025, by Sen. Jil Tracy

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/12-2 720 ILCS 5/12-3.05 from Ch. 38, par. 12-2 was 720 ILCS 5/12-4

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that aggravated assault includes an assault committed against a contractor (rather than just a subcontractor) of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons. Provides that aggravated battery includes committing various kinds of battery against an officer or employee of a contractor or subcontractor of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons.

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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 Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing Sections 12-2 and 12-3.05 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/12-2) (from Ch. 38, par. 12-2)
- 7 Sec. 12-2. Aggravated assault.
 - (a) Offense based on location of conduct. A person commits aggravated assault when he or she commits an assault against an individual who is on or about a public way, public property, a public place of accommodation or amusement, or a sports venue, or in a church, synagogue, mosque, or other building, structure, or place used for religious worship.
 - (b) Offense based on status of victim. A person commits aggravated assault when, in committing an assault, he or she knows the individual assaulted to be any of the following:
 - (1) A person with a physical disability or a person 60 years of age or older and the assault is without legal justification.
 - (2) A teacher or school employee upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a school or in any part of a building used for school purposes.
- 23 (3) A park district employee upon park grounds or

1	grounds adjacent to a park or in any part of a building
2	used for park purposes.
3	(4) A community policing volunteer, private security
4	officer, or utility worker:
5	(i) performing his or her official duties;
6	(ii) assaulted to prevent performance of his or
7	her official duties; or
8	(iii) assaulted in retaliation for performing his
9	or her official duties.
10	(4.1) A peace officer, fireman, emergency management
11	worker, or emergency medical services personnel:
12	(i) performing his or her official duties;
13	(ii) assaulted to prevent performance of his or
14	her official duties; or
15	(iii) assaulted in retaliation for performing his
16	or her official duties.
17	(5) A correctional officer or probation officer:
18	(i) performing his or her official duties;
19	(ii) assaulted to prevent performance of his or
20	her official duties; or
21	(iii) assaulted in retaliation for performing his
22	or her official duties.
23	(6) A correctional institution employee, a county
24	juvenile detention center employee who provides direct and
25	continuous supervision of residents of a juvenile
26	detention center, including a county juvenile detention

center employee who supervises recreational activity for residents of a juvenile detention center, or a Department of Human Services employee or an Department of Human Services officer or employee of a contractor or subcontractor of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons:

- (i) performing his or her official duties;
- (ii) assaulted to prevent performance of his or her official duties; or
- (iii) assaulted in retaliation for performing his or her official duties.
- (7) An employee of the State of Illinois, a municipal corporation therein, or a political subdivision thereof, performing his or her official duties.
- (8) A transit employee performing his or her official duties, or a transit passenger.
- (9) A sports official or coach actively participating in any level of athletic competition within a sports venue, on an indoor playing field or outdoor playing field, or within the immediate vicinity of such a facility or field.
- (10) A person authorized to serve process under Section 2-202 of the Code of Civil Procedure or a special process server appointed by the circuit court, while that individual is in the performance of his or her duties as a

- 1 process server.
 - (c) Offense based on use of firearm, device, or motor vehicle. A person commits aggravated assault when, in committing an assault, he or she does any of the following:
 - (1) Uses a deadly weapon, an air rifle as defined in Section 24.8-0.1 of this Act, or any device manufactured and designed to be substantially similar in appearance to a firearm, other than by discharging a firearm.
 - (2) Discharges a firearm, other than from a motor vehicle.
 - (3) Discharges a firearm from a motor vehicle.
 - (4) Wears a hood, robe, or mask to conceal his or her identity.
 - (5) Knowingly and without lawful justification shines or flashes a laser gun sight or other laser device attached to a firearm, or used in concert with a firearm, so that the laser beam strikes near or in the immediate vicinity of any person.
 - (6) Uses a firearm, other than by discharging the firearm, against a peace officer, community policing volunteer, fireman, private security officer, emergency management worker, emergency medical services personnel, employee of a police department, employee of a sheriff's department, or traffic control municipal employee:
 - (i) performing his or her official duties;
 - (ii) assaulted to prevent performance of his or

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- her official duties; or 1
- 2 (iii) assaulted in retaliation for performing his or her official duties. 3
 - (7) Without justification operates a motor vehicle in a manner which places a person, other than a person listed in subdivision (b) (4), in reasonable apprehension of being struck by the moving motor vehicle.
 - (8) Without justification operates a motor vehicle in a manner which places a person listed in subdivision (b)(4), in reasonable apprehension of being struck by the moving motor vehicle.
- 12 (9) Knowingly video or audio records the offense with 13 the intent to disseminate the recording.
- 14 (d) Sentence. Aggravated assault as defined in subdivision 15 (a), (b) (1), (b) (2), (b) (3), (b) (4), (b) (7), (b) (8), (b) (9), 16 (c)(1), (c)(4), or (c)(9) is a Class A misdemeanor, except 17 that aggravated assault as defined in subdivision (b) (4) and (b)(7) is a Class 4 felony if a Category I, Category II, or 18 19 Category III weapon is used in the commission of the assault. 20 Aggravated assault as defined in subdivision (b)(4.1), (b)(5), (b)(6),(b)(10),(c)(2),(c)(5),(c)(6), or (c)(7) is a Class 21 22 4 felony. Aggravated assault as defined in subdivision (c)(3) 23 or (c)(8) is a Class 3 felony.
- (e) For the purposes of this Section, "Category I weapon", "Category II weapon", and "Category III weapon" have the meanings ascribed to those terms in Section 33A-1 of this 26

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- 2 (Source: P.A. 101-223, eff. 1-1-20; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 3 (720 ILCS 5/12-3.05) (was 720 ILCS 5/12-4)
- 4 Sec. 12-3.05. Aggravated battery.
- 5 (a) Offense based on injury. A person commits aggravated 6 battery when, in committing a battery, other than by the 7 discharge of a firearm, he or she knowingly does any of the 8 following:
- 9 (1) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability 10 or disfigurement.
 - (2) Causes severe and permanent disability, great bodily harm, or disfigurement by means of a caustic or flammable substance, a poisonous gas, a deadly biological or chemical contaminant or agent, a radioactive substance, or a bomb or explosive compound.
 - (3) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to an individual whom the person knows to be a peace officer, community policing volunteer, fireman, private security officer, correctional institution employee, or Department of Human Services employee or an officer or employee of a contractor or subcontractor of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons:
 - (i) performing his or her official duties;

- 1 (ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her 2 official duties; or
- 3 (iii) battered in retaliation for performing his 4 or her official duties.
 - (4) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to an individual 60 years of age or older.
 - (5) Strangles another individual.
 - (b) Offense based on injury to a child or person with an intellectual disability. A person who is at least 18 years of age commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, he or she knowingly and without legal justification by any means:
 - (1) causes great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to any child under the age of 13 years, or to any person with a severe or profound intellectual disability; or
 - (2) causes bodily harm or disability or disfigurement to any child under the age of 13 years or to any person with a severe or profound intellectual disability.
 - (c) Offense based on location of conduct. A person commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, other than by the discharge of a firearm, he or she is or the person battered is on or about a public way, public property, a public place of accommodation or amusement, a sports venue, or a domestic violence shelter, or in a church, synagogue, mosque,

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- or other building, structure, or place used for religious worship.
- 3 (d) Offense based on status of victim. A person commits
 4 aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, other than
 5 by discharge of a firearm, he or she knows the individual
 6 battered to be any of the following:
 - (1) A person 60 years of age or older.
- 8 (2) A person who is pregnant or has a physical disability.
 - (3) A teacher or school employee upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a school or in any part of a building used for school purposes.
 - (4) A peace officer, community policing volunteer, fireman, private security officer, correctional institution employee, or Department of Human Services employee or an officer or employee of a contractor or subcontractor of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons:
 - (i) performing his or her official duties;
- 21 (ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her 22 official duties; or
- 23 (iii) battered in retaliation for performing his 24 or her official duties.
 - (5) A judge, emergency management worker, emergency medical services personnel, or utility worker:

Τ	(1) performing his or her official duties;
2	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
3	official duties; or
4	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
5	or her official duties.
6	(6) An officer or employee of the State of Illinois, a
7	unit of local government, or a school district, while
8	performing his or her official duties.
9	(7) A transit employee performing his or her official
10	duties, or a transit passenger.
11	(8) A taxi driver on duty.
12	(9) A merchant who detains the person for an alleged
13	commission of retail theft under Section 16-26 of this
14	Code and the person without legal justification by any
15	means causes bodily harm to the merchant.
16	(10) A person authorized to serve process under
17	Section 2-202 of the Code of Civil Procedure or a special
18	process server appointed by the circuit court while that
19	individual is in the performance of his or her duties as a
20	process server.
21	(11) A nurse while in the performance of his or her
22	duties as a nurse.
23	(12) A merchant: (i) while performing his or her
24	duties, including, but not limited to, relaying directions
25	for healthcare or safety from his or her supervisor or

employer or relaying health or safety guidelines,

- recommendations, regulations, or rules from a federal, State, or local public health agency; and (ii) during a disaster declared by the Governor, or a state of emergency declared by the mayor of the municipality in which the merchant is located, due to a public health emergency and for a period of 6 months after such declaration.
- (e) Offense based on use of a firearm. A person commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, he or she knowingly does any of the following:
 - (1) Discharges a firearm, other than a machine gun or a firearm equipped with a silencer, and causes any injury to another person.
 - (2) Discharges a firearm, other than a machine gun or a firearm equipped with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or she knows to be a peace officer, community policing volunteer, person summoned by a police officer, fireman, private security officer, correctional institution employee, or emergency management worker:
 - (i) performing his or her official duties;
 - (ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her official duties; or
 - (iii) battered in retaliation for performing his or her official duties.
 - (3) Discharges a firearm, other than a machine gun or a firearm equipped with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or she knows to be emergency medical

1	services personnel:
2	(i) performing his or her official duties;
3	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
4	official duties; or
5	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
6	or her official duties.
7	(4) Discharges a firearm and causes any injury to a
8	person he or she knows to be a teacher, a student in a
9	school, or a school employee, and the teacher, student, or
10	employee is upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a
11	school or in any part of a building used for school
12	purposes.
13	(5) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped
14	with a silencer, and causes any injury to another person.
15	(6) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped
16	with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or
17	she knows to be a peace officer, community policing
18	volunteer, person summoned by a police officer, fireman,
19	private security officer, correctional institution
20	employee or emergency management worker:
21	(i) performing his or her official duties;
22	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
23	official duties; or
24	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
25	or her official duties.
26	(7) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped

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with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or 1 she knows to be emergency medical services personnel: 2 3 (i) performing his or her official duties; (ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her official duties; or 6 (iii) battered in retaliation for performing his 7 or her official duties. (8) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped 8 with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or 9 10 she knows to be a teacher, or a student in a school, or a 11 school employee, and the teacher, student, or employee is 12 upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a school or in any part of a building used for school purposes. 13 14 (f) Offense based on use of a weapon or device. A person 15 commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, he 16 or she does any of the following: 17 (1) Uses a deadly weapon other than by discharge of a firearm, or uses an air rifle as defined in Section 18 24.8-0.1 of this Code. 19 20 (2) Wears a hood, robe, or mask to conceal his or her 21 identity. 22 (3) Knowingly and without lawful justification shines 23 or flashes a laser gunsight or other laser device attached 24 to a firearm, or used in concert with a firearm, so that 25 the laser beam strikes upon or against the person of

- 1 (4) Knowingly video or audio records the offense with 2 the intent to disseminate the recording.
 - (g) Offense based on certain conduct. A person commits aggravated battery when, other than by discharge of a firearm, he or she does any of the following:
 - (1) Violates Section 401 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act by unlawfully delivering a controlled substance to another and any user experiences great bodily harm or permanent disability as a result of the injection, inhalation, or ingestion of any amount of the controlled substance.
 - (2) Knowingly administers to an individual or causes him or her to take, without his or her consent or by threat or deception, and for other than medical purposes, any intoxicating, poisonous, stupefying, narcotic, anesthetic, or controlled substance, or gives to another person any food containing any substance or object intended to cause physical injury if eaten.
 - (3) Knowingly causes or attempts to cause a correctional institution employee or Department of Human Services employee or an officer or employee of a contractor or subcontractor of the Department of Human Services supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons to come into contact with blood, seminal fluid, urine, or feces by throwing, tossing, or expelling the fluid or material, and the

- 1 person is an inmate of a penal institution or is a sexually
- 2 dangerous person or sexually violent person in the custody
- 3 of the Department of Human Services.
- 4 (h) Sentence. Unless otherwise provided, aggravated
- 5 battery is a Class 3 felony.
- 6 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(4),
- 7 (d) (4), or (g) (3) is a Class 2 felony.
- 8 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(3) or
- 9 (g) (1) is a Class 1 felony.
- 10 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(1) is a
- 11 Class 1 felony when the aggravated battery was intentional and
- involved the infliction of torture, as defined in paragraph
- 13 (10) of subsection (b-5) of Section 5-8-1 of the Unified Code
- 14 of Corrections, as the infliction of or subjection to extreme
- 15 physical pain, motivated by an intent to increase or prolong
- the pain, suffering, or agony of the victim.
- 17 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(1) is a
- 18 Class 2 felony when the person causes great bodily harm or
- 19 permanent disability to an individual whom the person knows to
- 20 be a member of a congregation engaged in prayer or other
- 21 religious activities at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other
- 22 building, structure, or place used for religious worship.
- 23 Aggravated battery under subdivision (a) (5) is a Class 1
- 24 felony if:
- 25 (A) the person used or attempted to use a dangerous
- instrument while committing the offense;

- 1 (B) the person caused great bodily harm or permanent 2 disability or disfigurement to the other person while 3 committing the offense; or
 - (C) the person has been previously convicted of a violation of subdivision (a)(5) under the laws of this State or laws similar to subdivision (a)(5) of any other state.
- 8 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(1) is a 9 Class X felony.
- Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(2) is a
 Class X felony for which a person shall be sentenced to a term
 of imprisonment of a minimum of 6 years and a maximum of 45
 years.
- Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(5) is a

 Class X felony for which a person shall be sentenced to a term

 of imprisonment of a minimum of 12 years and a maximum of 45

 years.
- Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(2),

 (e)(3), or (e)(4) is a Class X felony for which a person shall

 be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of a minimum of 15 years

 and a maximum of 60 years.
- Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(6),

 (e)(7), or (e)(8) is a Class X felony for which a person shall

 be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of a minimum of 20 years

 and a maximum of 60 years.
- 26 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (b)(1) is a

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- 1 Class X felony, except that:
- 2 (1) if the person committed the offense while armed 3 with a firearm, 15 years shall be added to the term of 4 imprisonment imposed by the court;
 - (2) if, during the commission of the offense, the person personally discharged a firearm, 20 years shall be added to the term of imprisonment imposed by the court;
 - (3) if, during the commission of the offense, the person personally discharged a firearm that proximately caused great bodily harm, permanent disability, permanent disfigurement, or death to another person, 25 years or up to a term of natural life shall be added to the term of imprisonment imposed by the court.
 - (i) Definitions. In this Section:

"Building or other structure used to provide shelter" has
the meaning ascribed to "shelter" in Section 1 of the Domestic
Violence Shelters Act.

"Domestic violence" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 103 of the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986.

"Domestic violence shelter" means any building or other structure used to provide shelter or other services to victims or to the dependent children of victims of domestic violence pursuant to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986 or the Domestic Violence Shelters Act, or any place within 500 feet of such a building or other structure in the case of a person who is going to or from such a building or other structure.

- 1 "Firearm" has the meaning provided under Section 1.1 of
- 2 the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, and does not
- 3 include an air rifle as defined by Section 24.8-0.1 of this
- 4 Code.
- 5 "Machine gun" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section
- 6 24-1 of this Code.
- 7 "Merchant" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section
- 8 16-0.1 of this Code.
- 9 "Strangle" means intentionally impeding the normal
- 10 breathing or circulation of the blood of an individual by
- 11 applying pressure on the throat or neck of that individual or
- by blocking the nose or mouth of that individual.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 103-51, eff. 1-1-24.)