

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3264

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Fred Crespo

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

325 ILCS 5/3 720 ILCS 5/11-25 from Ch. 23, par. 2053

Amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Provides that "abused child" means a child whose parent or immediate family member, or any person responsible for the child's welfare, or any individual residing in the same home as the child, or a paramour of the child's parent commits or allows to be committed the offense of grooming against the child. Amends the grooming statute of the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that grooming includes in person as well as electronic conduct.

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning children.

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

- Section 5. The Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act is amended by changing Section 3 as follows:
- 6 (325 ILCS 5/3) (from Ch. 23, par. 2053)
- Sec. 3. As used in this Act unless the context otherwise requires:
- "Adult resident" means any person between 18 and 22 years of age who resides in any facility licensed by the Department under the Child Care Act of 1969. For purposes of this Act, the criteria set forth in the definitions of "abused child" and "neglected child" shall be used in determining whether an adult resident is abused or neglected.
- "Agency" means a child care facility licensed under
 Section 2.05 or Section 2.06 of the Child Care Act of 1969 and
 includes a transitional living program that accepts children
 and adult residents for placement who are in the guardianship
 of the Department.
- "Blatant disregard" means an incident where the real, significant, and imminent risk of harm would be so obvious to a reasonable parent or caretaker that it is unlikely that a reasonable parent or caretaker would have exposed the child to

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the danger without exercising precautionary measures to 1 2 protect the child from harm. With respect to a person working at an agency in his or her professional capacity with a child 3 or adult resident, "blatant disregard" includes a failure by 4 5 the person to perform job responsibilities intended to protect the child's or adult resident's health, physical well-being, 6 7 or welfare, and, when viewed in light of the surrounding circumstances, evidence exists that would cause a reasonable 8 9 person to believe that the child was neglected. With respect 10 to an agency, "blatant disregard" includes a failure to 11 implement practices that ensure the health, physical 12 well-being, or welfare of the children and adult residents 13 residing in the facility.

"Child" means any person under the age of 18 years, unless legally emancipated by reason of marriage or entry into a branch of the United States armed services.

"Department" means Department of Children and Family Services.

"Local law enforcement agency" means the police of a city, town, village or other incorporated area or the sheriff of an unincorporated area or any sworn officer of the Illinois Department of State Police.

"Abused child" means a child whose parent or immediate family member, or any person responsible for the child's welfare, or any individual residing in the same home as the child, or a paramour of the child's parent:

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- (b) creates a substantial risk of physical injury to such child by other than accidental means which would be likely to cause death, disfigurement, impairment of physical or emotional health, or loss or impairment of any bodily function;
- (c) commits or allows to be committed any sex offense against such child, as such sex offenses are defined in the Criminal Code of 2012 or in the Wrongs to Children Act, and extending those definitions of sex offenses to include children under 18 years of age;
- (d) commits or allows to be committed an act or acts of torture upon such child;
- (e) inflicts excessive corporal punishment or, in the case of a person working for an agency who is prohibited from using corporal punishment, inflicts corporal punishment upon a child or adult resident with whom the person is working in his or her professional capacity;
- (f) commits or allows to be committed the offense of female genital mutilation, as defined in Section 12-34 of the Criminal Code of 2012, against the child;
 - (q) causes to be sold, transferred, distributed, or

given to such child under 18 years of age, a controlled substance as defined in Section 102 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act in violation of Article IV of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or in violation of the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, except for controlled substances that are prescribed in accordance with Article III of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act and are dispensed to such child in a manner that substantially complies with the prescription; or

- (h) commits or allows to be committed the offense of involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, or trafficking in persons as defined in Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 2012 against the child; or \div
- (i) commits or allows to be committed the offense of grooming as defined in Section 11-25 of the Criminal Code of 2012 against the child.

A child shall not be considered abused for the sole reason that the child has been relinquished in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act.

"Neglected child" means any child who is not receiving the proper or necessary nourishment or medically indicated treatment including food or care not provided solely on the basis of the present or anticipated mental or physical impairment as determined by a physician acting alone or in consultation with other physicians or otherwise is not receiving the proper or necessary support or medical or other

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remedial care recognized under State law as necessary for a child's well-being, or other care necessary for his or her well-being, including adequate food, clothing and shelter; or who is subjected to an environment which is injurious insofar as (i) the child's environment creates a likelihood of harm to the child's health, physical well-being, or welfare and (ii) the likely harm to the child is the result of a blatant disregard of parent, caretaker, or agency responsibilities; or who is abandoned by his or her parents or other person responsible for the child's welfare without a proper plan of care; or who has been provided with interim crisis intervention services under Section 3-5 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and whose parent, quardian, or custodian refuses to permit the child to return home and no other living arrangement agreeable to the parent, quardian, or custodian can be made, and the parent, guardian, or custodian has not made any other appropriate living arrangement for the child; or who is a newborn infant whose blood, urine, or meconium contains any amount of a controlled substance as defined in subsection (f) of Section 102 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or a metabolite thereof, with the exception of a controlled substance or metabolite thereof whose presence in newborn infant is the result of medical treatment administered to the mother or the newborn infant. A child shall not be considered neglected for the sole reason that the child's parent or other person responsible for his or her

welfare has left the child in the care of an adult relative for any period of time. A child shall not be considered neglected for the sole reason that the child has been relinquished in accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act. A child shall not be considered neglected or abused for the sole reason that such child's parent or other person responsible for his or her welfare depends upon spiritual means through prayer alone for the treatment or cure of disease or remedial care as provided under Section 4 of this Act. A child shall not be considered neglected or abused solely because the child is not attending school in accordance with the requirements of Article 26 of The School Code, as amended.

"Child Protective Service Unit" means certain specialized State employees of the Department assigned by the Director to perform the duties and responsibilities as provided under Section 7.2 of this Act.

"Near fatality" means an act that, as certified by a physician, places the child in serious or critical condition, including acts of great bodily harm inflicted upon children under 13 years of age, and as otherwise defined by Department rule.

"Great bodily harm" includes bodily injury which creates a high probability of death, or which causes serious permanent disfigurement, or which causes a permanent or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ, or other serious bodily harm.

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"Person responsible for the child's welfare" means the child's parent; guardian; foster parent; relative caregiver; any person responsible for the child's welfare in a public or private residential agency or institution; any responsible for the child's welfare within a public or private profit or not for profit child care facility; or any other person responsible for the child's welfare at the time of the alleged abuse or neglect, including any person that is the custodian of a child under 18 years of age who commits or allows to be committed, against the child, the offense of involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, or trafficking in persons for forced labor or services, as provided in Section 10-9 of the Criminal Code of 2012, or any person who came to know the child through an official capacity or position of trust, including but not limited to health care professionals, educational personnel, recreational supervisors, members of the clergy, and volunteers or support personnel in any setting where children may be subject to abuse or neglect.

"Temporary protective custody" means custody within a hospital or other medical facility or a place previously designated for such custody by the Department, subject to review by the Court, including a licensed foster home, group home, or other institution; but such place shall not be a jail or other place for the detention of criminal or juvenile offenders.

- 1 "An unfounded report" means any report made under this Act
- 2 for which it is determined after an investigation that no
- 3 credible evidence of abuse or neglect exists.
- 4 "An indicated report" means a report made under this Act
- 5 if an investigation determines that credible evidence of the
- 6 alleged abuse or neglect exists.
- 7 "An undetermined report" means any report made under this
- 8 Act in which it was not possible to initiate or complete an
- 9 investigation on the basis of information provided to the
- 10 Department.
- "Subject of report" means any child reported to the
- 12 central register of child abuse and neglect established under
- 13 Section 7.7 of this Act as an alleged victim of child abuse or
- 14 neglect and the parent or quardian of the alleged victim or
- other person responsible for the alleged victim's welfare who
- is named in the report or added to the report as an alleged
- 17 perpetrator of child abuse or neglect.
- 18 "Perpetrator" means a person who, as a result of
- 19 investigation, has been determined by the Department to have
- 20 caused child abuse or neglect.
- "Member of the clergy" means a clergyman or practitioner
- of any religious denomination accredited by the religious body
- 23 to which he or she belongs.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 99-350, eff. 6-1-16; 100-733, eff. 1-1-19.)
- Section 10. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by

1 changing Section 11-25 as follows:

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2 (720 ILCS 5/11-25)
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- 3 Sec. 11-25. Grooming.
- 4 (a) A person commits grooming when he or she knowingly in 5 person or by use of uses a computer on-line service, Internet 6 service, local bulletin board service, or any other device 7 capable of electronic data storage or transmission, seduces, solicits, lures, or entices, or attempts to seduce, solicit, 8 9 lure, or entice, or attempt to seduce, solicit, lure, or 10 entice, a child, a child's guardian, or another person 11 believed by the person to be a child or a child's guardian, to 12 commit any sex offense as defined in Section 2 of the Sex Offender Registration Act, to distribute photographs depicting 13 the sex organs of the child, or to otherwise engage in any 14 15 unlawful sexual conduct with a child or with another person 16 believed by the person to be a child. As used in this Section, "child" means a person under 17 years of age. 17
- 18 (b) Sentence. Grooming is a Class 4 felony.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 100-428, eff. 1-1-18.)