

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB1417

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/1-6 from Ch. 38, par. 1-6
720 ILCS 5/12-3.05 was 720 ILCS 5/12-4
720 ILCS 5/16-1 from Ch. 38, par. 16-1
720 ILCS 5/17-56 was 720 ILCS 5/16-1.3

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that a person who commits the offense of financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability may be tried in any county in which any part of the assets that the person obtained control over are held. Provides that a defense to aggravated battery of a person 60 years of age or older does not exist merely because the accused reasonably believed the victim to be less than 60 years of age. Enhances the penalties for theft and theft by deception if the victim is 60 years of age or older or a person with a disability or if the offense was committed in a nursing home, an assisted living facility, or a supportive living facility. Provides that theft, theft by deception, and financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability is a Class X felony if the value of the property stolen or illegally obtained exceeds \$100,000 (rather than \$1,000,000).

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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 1-6, 12-3.05, 16-1, and 17-56 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/1-6) (from Ch. 38, par. 1-6)
- 7 Sec. 1-6. Place of trial.
- 8 (a) Generally.

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- 9 Criminal actions shall be tried in the county where the offense was committed, except as otherwise provided by law. 10 The State is not required to prove during trial that the 11 alleged offense occurred in any particular county in this 12 State. When a defendant contests the place of trial under this 13 14 Section, all proceedings regarding this issue shall be conducted under Section 114-1 of the Code of Criminal 15 16 Procedure of 1963. All objections of improper place of trial
- 18 (b) Assailant and Victim in Different Counties.

are waived by a defendant unless made before trial.

- 19 If a person committing an offense upon the person of 20 another is located in one county and his victim is located in 21 another county at the time of the commission of the offense, 22 trial may be had in either of said counties.
- 23 (c) Death and Cause of Death in Different Places or

- 1 Undetermined.
- 2 If cause of death is inflicted in one county and death
- 3 ensues in another county, the offender may be tried in either
- 4 county. If neither the county in which the cause of death was
- 5 inflicted nor the county in which death ensued are known
- 6 before trial, the offender may be tried in the county where the
- 7 body was found.
- 8 (d) Offense Commenced Outside the State.
- 9 If the commission of an offense commenced outside the
- 10 State is consummated within this State, the offender shall be
- 11 tried in the county where the offense is consummated.
- 12 (e) Offenses Committed in Bordering Navigable Waters.
- 13 If an offense is committed on any of the navigable waters
- 14 bordering on this State, the offender may be tried in any
- 15 county adjacent to such navigable water.
- 16 (f) Offenses Committed while in Transit.
- 17 If an offense is committed upon any railroad car, vehicle,
- 18 watercraft or aircraft passing within this State, and it
- 19 cannot readily be determined in which county the offense was
- 20 committed, the offender may be tried in any county through
- 21 which such railroad car, vehicle, watercraft or aircraft has
- 22 passed.
- 23 (g) Theft.
- A person who commits theft of property may be tried in any
- county in which he exerted control over such property.
- 26 (h) Bigamy.

1 A person who commits the offense of bigamy may be tried in

2 any county where the bigamous marriage or bigamous

3 cohabitation has occurred.

- (i) Kidnaping.
- 5 A person who commits the offense of kidnaping may be tried
- 6 in any county in which his victim has traveled or has been
- 7 confined during the course of the offense.
- 8 (j) Pandering.
- 9 A person who commits the offense of pandering as set forth
- 10 in subdivision (a)(2)(A) or (a)(2)(B) of Section 11-14.3 may
- 11 be tried in any county in which the prostitution was practiced
- or in any county in which any act in furtherance of the offense
- 13 shall have been committed.
- 14 (k) Treason.
- 15 A person who commits the offense of treason may be tried in
- 16 any county.
- 17 (1) Criminal Defamation.
- 18 If criminal defamation is spoken, printed or written in
- one county and is received or circulated in another or other
- 20 counties, the offender shall be tried in the county where the
- 21 defamation is spoken, printed or written. If the defamation is
- 22 spoken, printed or written outside this state, or the offender
- resides outside this state, the offender may be tried in any
- 24 county in this state in which the defamation was circulated or
- 25 received.
- 26 (m) Inchoate Offenses.

A person who commits an inchoate offense may be tried in any county in which any act which is an element of the offense, including the agreement in conspiracy, is committed.

(n) Accountability for Conduct of Another.

Where a person in one county solicits, aids, abets, agrees, or attempts to aid another in the planning or commission of an offense in another county, he may be tried for the offense in either county.

(o) Child Abduction.

A person who commits the offense of child abduction may be tried in any county in which his victim has traveled, been detained, concealed or removed to during the course of the offense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless for good cause shown, the preferred place of trial shall be the county of the residence of the lawful custodian.

(p) A person who commits the offense of narcotics racketeering may be tried in any county where cannabis or a controlled substance which is the basis for the charge of narcotics racketeering was used; acquired; transferred or distributed to, from or through; or any county where any act was performed to further the use; acquisition, transfer or distribution of said cannabis or controlled substance; any money, property, property interest, or any other asset generated by narcotics activities was acquired, used, sold, transferred or distributed to, from or through; or, any enterprise interest obtained as a result of narcotics

- racketeering was acquired, used, transferred or distributed to, from or through, or where any activity was conducted by the enterprise or any conduct to further the interests of such an enterprise.
 - (q) A person who commits the offense of money laundering may be tried in any county where any part of a financial transaction in criminally derived property took place or in any county where any money or monetary instrument which is the basis for the offense was acquired, used, sold, transferred or distributed to, from or through.
 - (r) A person who commits the offense of cannabis trafficking or controlled substance trafficking may be tried in any county.
 - (s) A person who commits the offense of online sale of stolen property, online theft by deception, or electronic fencing may be tried in any county where any one or more elements of the offense took place, regardless of whether the element of the offense was the result of acts by the accused, the victim or by another person, and regardless of whether the defendant was ever physically present within the boundaries of the county.
 - (t) A person who commits the offense of identity theft or aggravated identity theft may be tried in any one of the following counties in which: (1) the offense occurred; (2) the information used to commit the offense was illegally used; or (3) the victim resides.

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- 1 (u) A person who commits the offense of financial
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 3 disability may be tried in any one of the following counties in
 4 which: (1) any part of the offense occurred; or (2) the victim
 5 or one of the victims reside; or (3) any part of the assets
 6 that the person obtained control over are held.
 - If a person is charged with more than one violation of identity theft or aggravated identity theft and those violations may be tried in more than one county, any of those counties is a proper venue for all of the violations.
- 11 (Source: P.A. 101-394, eff. 1-1-20.)
- 12 (720 ILCS 5/12-3.05) (was 720 ILCS 5/12-4)
- Sec. 12-3.05. Aggravated battery.
- 14 (a) Offense based on injury. A person commits aggravated
 15 battery when, in committing a battery, other than by the
 16 discharge of a firearm, he or she knowingly does any of the
 17 following:
- 18 (1) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability
 19 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.
- 25 (3) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability

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- (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.
 - (4) Causes great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to an individual 60 years of age or older. It is not a defense to this paragraph that the person reasonably believed the individual battered to be less than 60 years of age.
 - (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

- 1 (2) causes bodily harm or disability or disfigurement 2 to any child under the age of 13 years or to any person 3 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, or other building, structure, or place used for religious worship.
 - (d) Offense based on status of victim. A person commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, other than by discharge of a firearm, he or she knows the individual battered to be any of the following:
 - (1) A person 60 years of age or older.
 - (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 supervising or controlling sexually dangerous persons or sexually violent persons:

1	(i) 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	(5) A judge, emergency management worker, emergency
7	medical services personnel, or utility worker:
8	(i) performing his or her official duties;
9	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
10	official duties; or
11	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
12	or her official duties.
13	(6) An officer or employee of the State of Illinois, a
14	unit of local government, or a school district, while
15	performing his or her official duties.
16	(7) A transit employee performing his or her official
17	duties, or a transit passenger.
18	(8) A taxi driver on duty.
19	(9) A merchant who detains the person for an alleged
20	commission of retail theft under Section 16-26 of this
21	Code and the person without legal justification by any
22	means causes bodily harm to the merchant.
23	(10) A person authorized to serve process under
24	Section 2-202 of the Code of Civil Procedure or a special
25	process server appointed by the circuit court while that

individual is in the performance of his or her duties as a

- 1 process server.
 - (11) A nurse while in the performance of his or her duties as a nurse.
 - (12) A merchant: (i) while performing his or her duties, including, but not limited to, relaying directions 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;

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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.
5	(3) Discharges a firearm, other than a machine gun or
6	a firearm equipped with a silencer, and causes any injury
7	to a person he or she knows to be emergency medical
8	services personnel:
9	(i) performing his or her official duties;
10	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
11	official duties; or
12	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
13	or her official duties.
14	(4) Discharges a firearm and causes any injury to a
15	person he or she knows to be a teacher, a student in a
16	school, or a school employee, and the teacher, student, or
17	employee is upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a
18	school or in any part of a building used for school
19	purposes.
20	(5) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped
21	with a silencer, and causes any injury to another person.
22	(6) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped
23	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

1	employee or emergency management worker:
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	(7) Discharges a machine gun or a firearm equipped
8	with a silencer, and causes any injury to a person he or
9	she knows to be emergency medical services personnel:
10	(i) performing his or her official duties;
11	(ii) battered to prevent performance of his or her
12	official duties; or
13	(iii) battered in retaliation for performing his
14	or her official duties.
15	(8) 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 teacher, or a student in a school, or a
18	school employee, and the teacher, student, or employee is
19	upon school grounds or grounds adjacent to a school or in
20	any part of a building used for school purposes.
21	(f) Offense based on use of a weapon or device. A person
22	commits aggravated battery when, in committing a battery, he
23	or she does any of the following:
24	(1) Uses a deadly weapon other than by discharge of a
25	firearm, or uses an air rifle as defined in Section
26	24.8-0.1 of this Code.

- 1 (2) Wears a hood, robe, or mask to conceal his or her identity.
 - (3) Knowingly and without lawful justification shines or flashes a laser gunsight or other laser device attached to a firearm, or used in concert with a firearm, so that the laser beam strikes upon or against the person of another.
 - (4) Knowingly video or audio records the offense with 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

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correctional institution employee or Department of Human

Services employee to come into contact with blood, seminal

fluid, urine, or feces by throwing, tossing, or expelling

the fluid or material, and the person is an inmate of a

penal institution or is a sexually dangerous person or

sexually violent person in the custody of the Department

of Human Services.

- 8 (h) Sentence. Unless otherwise provided, aggravated 9 battery is a Class 3 felony.
- 10 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(4), 11 (d)(4), or (g)(3) is a Class 2 felony.
- 12 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(3) or 13 (q)(1) is a Class 1 felony.

Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(1) is a Class 1 felony when the aggravated battery was intentional and involved the infliction of torture, as defined in paragraph (14) of subsection (b) of Section 9-1 of this Code, as the infliction of or subjection to extreme physical pain, motivated by an intent to increase or prolong the pain, suffering, or agony of the victim.

Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (a)(1) is a Class 2 felony when the person causes great bodily harm or permanent disability to an individual whom the person knows to be a member of a congregation engaged in prayer or other religious activities at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other building, structure, or place used for religious worship.

- 1 Aggravated battery under subdivision (a) (5) is a Class 1 2 felony if:
- 3 (A) the person used or attempted to use a dangerous 4 instrument while committing the offense;
 - (B) the person caused great bodily harm or permanent disability or disfigurement to the other person while committing the offense; or
- 8 (C) the person has been previously convicted of a 9 violation of subdivision (a)(5) under the laws of this 10 State or laws similar to subdivision (a)(5) of any other 11 state.
- 12 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(1) is a 13 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.
- 26 Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (e)(6),

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- 1 (e)(7), or (e)(8) is a Class X felony for which a person shall
- 2 be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of a minimum of 20 years
- 3 and a maximum of 60 years.
- Aggravated battery as defined in subdivision (b)(1) is a
- 5 Class X felony, except that:
 - (1) if the person committed the offense while armed with a firearm, 15 years shall be added to the term of 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

- 1 pursuant to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986 or the
- 2 Domestic Violence Shelters Act, or any place within 500 feet
- 3 of such a building or other structure in the case of a person
- 4 who is going to or from such a building or other structure.
- 5 "Firearm" has the meaning provided under Section 1.1 of
- 6 the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, and does not
- 7 include an air rifle as defined by Section 24.8-0.1 of this
- 8 Code.
- 9 "Machine gun" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section
- 10 24-1 of this Code.
- "Merchant" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section
- 12 16-0.1 of this Code.
- "Strangle" means intentionally impeding the normal
- 14 breathing or circulation of the blood of an individual by
- applying pressure on the throat or neck of that individual or
- by blocking the nose or mouth of that individual.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 101-223, eff. 1-1-20; 101-651, eff. 8-7-20.)
- 18 (720 ILCS 5/16-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 16-1)
- 19 Sec. 16-1. Theft.
- 20 (a) A person commits theft when he or she knowingly:
- 21 (1) Obtains or exerts unauthorized control over
- 22 property of the owner; or
- 23 (2) Obtains by deception control over property of the
- owner; or
- 25 (3) Obtains by threat control over property of the

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- (4) Obtains control over stolen property knowing the property to have been stolen or under such circumstances as would reasonably induce him or her to believe that the property was stolen; or
- (5) Obtains or exerts control over property in the custody of any law enforcement agency which any law enforcement officer or any individual acting in behalf of a law enforcement agency explicitly represents to the person as being stolen or represents to the person such circumstances as would reasonably induce the person to believe that the property was stolen, and
 - (A) Intends to deprive the owner permanently of the use or benefit of the property; or
 - (B) Knowingly uses, conceals or abandons the property in such manner as to deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit; or
 - (C) Uses, conceals, or abandons the property knowing such use, concealment or abandonment probably will deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit.

(b) Sentence.

- (1) Theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value is a Class A misdemeanor.
- (1.1) Theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value is a Class 4 felony if the theft

was committed in a school, or place of worship, nursing

home, an assisted living facility, or a supportive living

facility or if the theft was of governmental property.

- (2) A person who has been convicted of theft of property not from the person and not exceeding \$500 in value who has been previously convicted of any type of theft, robbery, armed robbery, burglary, residential burglary, possession of burglary tools, home invasion, forgery, a violation of Section 4-103, 4-103.1, 4-103.2, or 4-103.3 of the Illinois Vehicle Code relating to the possession of a stolen or converted motor vehicle, or a violation of Section 17-36 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, or Section 8 of the Illinois Credit Card and Debit Card Act is guilty of a Class 4 felony.
 - (3) (Blank).
- (4) Theft of property from the person not exceeding \$500 in value, or theft of property exceeding \$500 and not exceeding \$10,000 in value, is a Class 3 felony.
- \$500 in value, or theft of property exceeding \$500 and not exceeding \$10,000 in value, is a Class 2 felony if the theft was committed in a school, or place of worship, nursing home, an assisted living facility, or a supportive living facility or if the theft was of governmental property.

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2	exceedin	g \$100 ,	000	in value	isa	a Class	2	felony.		

- (5.1) Theft of property exceeding \$10,000 and not exceeding \$100,000 in value is a Class 1 felony if the theft was committed in a school, or place of worship, nursing home, an assisted living facility, or a supportive living facility or if the theft was of governmental property.
- (6) Theft of property exceeding \$100,000 and not exceeding \$500,000 in value is a Class 1 felony.
- (6.1) Theft of property exceeding \$100,000 in value is a Class X felony if the theft was committed in a school, or place of worship, nursing home, an assisted living facility, or a supportive living facility or if the theft was of governmental property.
- (6.2) Theft of property exceeding \$500,000 and not exceeding \$1,000,000 in value is a Class 1 non-probationable felony.
- (6.3) Theft of property exceeding \$1,000,000 in value is a Class X felony.
- (7) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section from a victim aged at least 60 years but not exceeding 69 years or a person with a disability, in which the offender obtained money or property with the following values:
 - (A) not exceeding \$300 is a Class 4 felony;

1	(B) exceeding \$300 but not exceeding \$5,000 is a
2	<pre>Class 3 felony;</pre>
3	(C) exceeding \$5,000 but not exceeding \$50,000 is
4	a Class 2 felony;
5	(D) exceeding \$50,000 but not exceeding \$100,000
6	is a Class 1 felony; and
7	(E) exceeding \$100,000 is a Class X felony valued
8	at \$5,000 or more from a victim 60 years of age or
9	older or a person with a disability is a Class 2
10	felony.
11	(7.1) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph
12	(2) of subsection (a) of this Section, from a victim aged
13	at least 70 years but not exceeding 79 years in which the
14	offender obtained money or property with the following
15	<u>values:</u>
16	(A) not exceeding \$300 is a Class 4 felony;
17	(B) exceeding \$300 but not exceeding \$5,000 is a
18	<pre>Class 3 felony;</pre>
19	(C) exceeding \$5,000 but not exceeding \$15,000 is
20	a Class 2 felony;
21	(D) exceeding \$15,000 but not exceeding \$100,000
22	is a Class 1 felony; and
23	(E) exceeding \$100,000 is a Class X felony.
24	(7.2) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph
25	(2) of subsection (a) of this Section, from a victim aged
26	at least 80 years in which the offender obtained money or

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1	property with the following values:
2	(A) not exceeding \$300 is a Class 4 felony;
3	(B) exceeding \$300 but not exceeding \$5,000 is a
4	<pre>Class 3 felony;</pre>
5	(C) exceeding \$5,000 but not exceeding \$100,000 is
6	a Class 1 felony; and
7	(D) exceeding \$100,000 is a Class X felony.
8	(8) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2)
9	of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender
10	falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the
11	landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit
12	from a tenant is a Class 3 felony if the rent payment or
13	security deposit obtained does not exceed \$500.
14	(9) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2)
15	of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender
16	falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the
17	landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit
18	from a tenant is a Class 2 felony if the rent payment or
19	security deposit obtained exceeds \$500 and does not exceed
20	\$10,000.
21	(10) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2)
22	of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender
23	falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the
24	landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit

from a tenant is a Class 1 felony if the rent payment or

security deposit obtained exceeds \$10,000 and does not

1 exceed \$100,000.

- (11) Theft by deception, as described by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Section, in which the offender falsely poses as a landlord or agent or employee of the landlord and obtains a rent payment or a security deposit from a tenant is a Class X felony if the rent payment or security deposit obtained exceeds \$100,000.
- (c) When a charge of theft of property exceeding a specified value is brought, the value of the property involved is an element of the offense to be resolved by the trier of fact as either exceeding or not exceeding the specified value.
- (d) Theft by lessee; permissive inference. The trier of fact may infer evidence that a person intends to deprive the owner permanently of the use or benefit of the property (1) if a lessee of the personal property of another fails to return it to the owner within 10 days after written demand from the owner for its return or (2) if a lessee of the personal property of another fails to return it to the owner within 24 hours after written demand from the owner for its return and the lessee had presented identification to the owner that contained a materially fictitious name, address, or telephone number. A notice in writing, given after the expiration of the leasing agreement, addressed and mailed, by registered mail, to the lessee at the address given by him and shown on the leasing agreement shall constitute proper demand.
 - (e) Permissive inference; evidence of intent that a person

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obtains by deception control over property. The trier of fact may infer that a person "knowingly obtains by deception control over property of the owner" when he or she fails to return, within 45 days after written demand from the owner, the downpayment and any additional payments accepted under a promise, oral or in writing, to perform services for the owner for consideration of \$3,000 or more, and the promisor knowingly without good cause failed to substantially perform pursuant to the agreement after taking a down payment of 10% or more of the agreed upon consideration. This provision shall not apply where the owner initiated the suspension of performance under the agreement, or where the promisor responds to the notice within the 45-day notice period. A notice in writing, addressed and mailed, by registered mail, to the promisor at the last known address of the promisor, shall constitute proper demand.

- (f) Offender's interest in the property.
- (1) It is no defense to a charge of theft of property that the offender has an interest therein, when the owner also has an interest to which the offender is not entitled.
- (2) Where the property involved is that of the offender's spouse, no prosecution for theft may be maintained unless the parties were not living together as man and wife and were living in separate abodes at the time of the alleged theft.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 101-394, eff. 1-1-20.)
- 2 (720 ILCS 5/17-56) (was 720 ILCS 5/16-1.3)
- 3 Sec. 17-56. Financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability.
- 5 (a) A person commits financial exploitation of an elderly 6 person or a person with a disability when he or she stands in a 7 position of trust or confidence with the elderly person or a 8 person with a disability and he or she knowingly:
- 9 (1) by deception or intimidation obtains control over 10 the property of an elderly person or a person with a 11 disability; or
- 12 (2) illegally uses the assets or resources of an 13 elderly person or a person with a disability.
- 14 (b) Sentence. Financial exploitation of an elderly person 15 or a person with a disability is:
- 16 (1) \underline{A} \underline{a} Class 4 felony if the value of the property is \$300 or less.7
- 18 (2) \underline{A} \underline{a} Class 3 felony if the value of the property is more than \$300 but less than \$5,000.7
- 20 (3) \underline{A} \underline{a} Class 2 felony if the value of the property is \$5,000 or more but less than \$50,000., and
- 22 (4) <u>A</u> a Class 1 felony:
- 23 (A) if the value of the property is \$50,000 or more but less than \$100,000; or
- 25 <u>(B)</u> if the elderly person is over 70 years of age

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- (C) if the elderly person is 80 years of age or older and the value of the property is \$5,000 or more but less than \$100,000.
- (5) A Class X felony if the value of the property is \$100,000 or more.
- (c) For purposes of this Section:
- (1) "Elderly person" means a person 60 years of age or older.
- (2) "Person with a disability" means a person who suffers from a physical or mental impairment resulting from disease, injury, functional disorder or congenital condition that impairs the individual's mental or physical ability to independently manage his or her property or financial resources, or both.
- (3) "Intimidation" means the communication to an elderly person or a person with a disability that he or she shall be deprived of food and nutrition, shelter, prescribed medication or medical care and treatment or conduct as provided in Section 12-6 of this Code.
- (4) "Deception" means, in addition to its meaning as defined in Section 15-4 of this Code, a misrepresentation or concealment of material fact relating to the terms of a contract or agreement entered into with the elderly person or person with a disability or to the existing or

pre-existing condition of any of the property involved in such contract or agreement; or the use or employment of any misrepresentation, false pretense or false promise in order to induce, encourage or solicit the elderly person or person with a disability to enter into a contract or agreement.

The illegal use of the assets or resources of an elderly person or a person with a disability includes, but is not limited to, the misappropriation of those assets or resources by undue influence, breach of a fiduciary relationship, fraud, deception, extortion, or use of the assets or resources contrary to law.

A person stands in a position of trust and confidence with an elderly person or person with a disability when he (i) is a parent, spouse, adult child or other relative by blood or marriage of the elderly person or person with a disability, (ii) is a joint tenant or tenant in common with the elderly person or person with a disability, (iii) has a legal or fiduciary relationship with the elderly person or person with a disability, (iv) is a financial planning or investment professional, (v) is a paid or unpaid caregiver for the elderly person or person with a disability, or (vi) is a friend or acquaintance in a position of trust.

(d) Limitations. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the victim under the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986.

- (e) Good faith efforts. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to impose criminal liability on a person who has made a good faith effort to assist the elderly person or person with a disability in the management of his or her property, but through no fault of his or her own has been unable to provide such assistance.
- (f) Not a defense. It shall not be a defense to financial exploitation of an elderly person or person with a disability that the accused reasonably believed that the victim was not an elderly person or person with a disability. Consent is not a defense to financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability if the accused knew or had reason to know that the elderly person or a person with a disability lacked capacity to consent.
- (g) Civil Liability. A civil cause of action exists for financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability as described in subsection (a) of this Section. A person against whom a civil judgment has been entered for financial exploitation of an elderly person or person with a disability shall be liable to the victim or to the estate of the victim in damages of treble the amount of the value of the property obtained, plus reasonable attorney fees and court costs. In a civil action under this subsection, the burden of proof that the defendant committed financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability as described in subsection (a) of this Section shall be by a preponderance of

- the evidence. This subsection shall be operative whether or not the defendant has been charged or convicted of the criminal offense as described in subsection (a) of this Section. This subsection (g) shall not limit or affect the right of any person to bring any cause of action or seek any remedy available under the common law, or other applicable law, arising out of the financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability.
 - (h) If a person is charged with financial exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability that involves the taking or loss of property valued at more than \$5,000, a prosecuting attorney may file a petition with the circuit court of the county in which the defendant has been charged to freeze the assets of the defendant in an amount equal to but not greater than the alleged value of lost or stolen property in the defendant's pending criminal proceeding for purposes of restitution to the victim. The burden of proof required to freeze the defendant's assets shall be by a preponderance of the evidence.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 101-394, eff. 1-1-20; 102-244, eff. 1-1-22.)