- 1 AN ACT in relation to criminal law.
- 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by
- 5 changing Section 12-17 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/12-17) (from Ch. 38, par. 12-17)
- 7 Sec. 12-17. Defenses.
- 8 (a) It shall be a defense to any offense under Section
- 9 12-13 through 12-16 of this Code where force or threat of
- 10 force is an element of the offense that the victim consented.
- "Consent" means a freely given agreement to the act of sexual
- 12 penetration or sexual conduct in question. Lack of verbal or
- 13 physical resistance or submission by the victim resulting
- 14 from the use of force or threat of force by the accused shall
- 15 not constitute consent. The manner of dress of the victim at
- the time of the offense shall not constitute consent.
- 17 (b) It shall be a defense under subsection (b) and
- 18 subsection (c) of Section 12-15 and subsection (d) of Section
- 19 12-16 of this Code that the accused reasonably believed the
- 20 person to be 17 years of age or over.
- 21 (c) A person who initially consents to sexual
- 22 <u>penetration or sexual conduct is not deemed to have consented</u>
- 23 to any sexual penetration or sexual conduct that occurs after
- 24 <u>he or she withdraws consent during the course of that sexual</u>
- 25 <u>penetration or sexual conduct.</u>
- 26 (Source: P.A. 87-438; 87-457; 87-895.)
- 27 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 28 becoming law.