

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB0572

Introduced 2/5/2007, by Rep. Dan Brady

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

725 ILCS 190/3

from Ch. 38, par. 1453

Amends the Privacy of Child Victims of Criminal Sexual Offenses Act. Provides that a parole agent or probation officer may obtain the identity of a child under 18 years of age who is the victim of a criminal sexual offense from the law enforcement records and court records relating to the case.

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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 Privacy of Child Victims of Criminal Sexual

 Offenses Act is amended by changing Section 3 as follows:
- 6 (725 ILCS 190/3) (from Ch. 38, par. 1453)
- 7 Sec. 3. Confidentiality of Law Enforcement and Court 8 Records. Notwithstanding notwithstanding any other law to the 9 contrary, inspection and copying of law enforcement records maintained by any law enforcement agency or circuit court 10 records maintained by any circuit clerk relating to any 11 investigation or proceeding pertaining to a criminal sexual 12 offense, by any person, except a judge, state's attorney, 13 14 assistant state's attorney, psychologist, psychiatrist, social worker, doctor, parent, parole agent, probation officer, 15 16 defendant or defendant's attorney in any criminal proceeding or 17 investigation related thereto, shall be restricted to exclude the identity of any child who is a victim of such criminal 18 19 sexual offense or alleged criminal sexual offense. A court may 20 for the child's protection and for good cause shown, prohibit 21 any person or agency present in court from further disclosing 22 the child's identity.
- When a criminal sexual offense is committed or alleged to

have been committed by a school district employee on the premises under the jurisdiction of a public school district or during an official school sponsored activity, a copy of the law enforcement records maintained by any law enforcement agency or circuit court records maintained by any circuit clerk relating to the investigation of the offense or alleged offense shall be made available for inspection and copying by the superintendent of schools of the district. The superintendent shall be restricted from specifically revealing the name of the victim without written consent of the victim or victim's parent or guardian.

A court may prohibit such disclosure only after giving notice and a hearing to all affected parties. In determining whether to prohibit disclosure of the minor's identity the court shall consider:

- (a) the best interest of the child; and
- 17 (b) whether such nondisclosure would further a compelling State interest.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 87-553.)