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 Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is amended by changing Section 111-4 as follows:
- 6 (725 ILCS 5/111-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 111-4)
- 7 Sec. 111-4. Joinder of offenses and defendants.
- 8 (a) Two or more offenses may be charged in the same 9 indictment, information or complaint in a separate count for 10 each offense if the offenses charged, whether felonies or 11 misdemeanors or both, are based on the same act or on 2 or more
- 12 acts which are part of the same comprehensive transaction.
- 13 (b) Two or more defendants may be charged in the same 14 indictment, information or complaint if they are alleged to 15 have participated in the same act or in the same comprehensive
- transaction out of which the offense or offenses arose. Such
- 17 defendants may be charged in one or more counts together or
- 18 separately and all of the defendants need not be charged in
- 19 each count.
- 20 (c) Two or more acts or transactions in violation of any
- 21 provision or provisions of Sections 8A-2, 8A-3, 8A-4, 8A-4A and
- 22 8A-5 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, Sections 16-1, 16-2,
- 23 16-3, 16-5, 16-7, 16-8, 16-10, 16A-3, 16B-2, 16C-2, 17-1, <u>17-3</u>,

17-6, 17-7, 17-8, 17-9 or 17-10 of the Criminal Code of 1961 1 2 and Section 118 of Division I of the Criminal Jurisprudence 3 Act, may be charged as a single offense in a single count of the same indictment, information or complaint, if such acts or 5 transactions by one or more defendants are in furtherance of a 6 single intention and design or if the property, labor or 7 services obtained are of the same person or are of several 8 persons having a common interest in such property, labor or 9 services. In such a charge, the period between the dates of the 10 first and the final such acts or transactions may be alleged as 11 the date of the offense and, if any such act or transaction by 12 any defendant was committed in the county where the prosecution 13 was commenced, such county may be alleged as the county of the offense. 14

15 (Source: P.A. 95-384, eff. 1-1-08.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.