## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

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#### HB5465

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/17-24

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Expands the fraud statute to include fraudulent schemes and artifices that do not include wire or mail transmission.

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CORRECTIONAL BUDGET AND IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

HB5465

AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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## 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing
Section 17-24 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/17-24)

7 Sec. 17-24. Fraudulent schemes and artifices.

(a) Fraud <del>by wire, radio, or television</del>.

9 (1) A person commits wire fraud when he or she: (A)
10 devises or intends to devise a scheme or artifice:

11 <u>(A)</u> to defraud or to obtain money or property by 12 means of false pretenses, representations, or 13 promises<u>, or</u>

14 (B) to sell, dispose of, loan, exchange, alter, give away, distribute, supply, or furnish or procure 15 16 for unlawful use any counterfeit obligation, security, 17 or other article, or anything represented to be or intimated or held out to be such counterfeit or 18 19 spurious article.; and 20 (B) (i) transmits or causes to be transmitted from 21 within this State; or

22 (ii) transmits or causes to be transmitted so
23 that it is received by a person within this State;

1 <del>or</del> 2 (iii) transmits or causes to be transmitted so that it is reasonably foreseeable that it will be 3 accessed by a person within this State: 4 5 any writings, signals, pictures, sounds, or electronic or electric impulses by means of wire, radio, or television 6 7 communications for the purpose of executing the scheme artifice. 8 (2) (Blank). A scheme or artifice to defraud using 9 electronic transmissions is deemed to occur in the county 10 11 from which a transmission is sent, if the transmission is 12 sent from within this State, the county in which a person within this State receives the transmission, and the county 13 in which a person who is within this State is located when 14 15 the person accesses a transmission. 16 (3) Fraud Wire fraud is a Class 3 felony. 17 (b) (Blank). Mail fraud. (1) A person commits mail fraud when he or she: 18 (A) devises or intends to devise any scheme or 19 artifice to defraud or to obtain money or property by 20 21 means of false or fraudulent pretenses, 22 representations or promises, or to sell, dispose of, 23 loan, exchange, alter, give away, distribute, supply, or furnish or procure for unlawful use any counterfeit 24 25 obligation, security, or other article, or anything 26 represented to be or intimidated or held out to be such

counterfeit or spurious article; and 1 2 (B) for the purpose of executing such scheme or artifice or attempting so to do, places in any post 3 office or authorized depository for mail matter within 4 5 this State, any matter or thing whatever to be delivered by the Postal Service, or deposits or causes 6 to be deposited in this State by mail or by private or 7 8 commercial carrier according to the direction on the 9 matter or thing, or at the place at which it is directed to be delivered by the person to whom it is 10 11 addressed, any such matter or thing.

12 (2) A scheme or artifice to defraud using a government 13 private carrier is deemed to occur in the county in or which mail or other matter is deposited with the Postal 14 15 Service or a private commercial carrier for delivery, if deposited with the Postal Service or a private or 16 17 commercial carrier within this State and the county in which a person within this State receives the mail or other 18 19 matter from the Postal Service or a private or commercial 20 carrier.

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(3) Mail fraud is a Class 3 felony.

22 (c) (Blank).

(d) The period of limitations for prosecution of any
offense defined in this Section begins at the time when the
last act in furtherance of the scheme or artifice is committed.
(e) In this Section:

HB5465 - 4 - LRB096 17417 RLC 32770 b (1) "Scheme or artifice to defraud" includes a scheme 1 2 or artifice to deprive another of the intangible right to 3 honest services. 4 (2) (Blank). (Source: P.A. 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 93-440, eff. 8-5-03; revised 5 11-4-09.)

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