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Introduced 2/10/2010, by Sen. Mike Jacobs

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/31A-1.1	from Ch. 38, par. 31A-1.1
720 ILCS 5/31A-1.2	from Ch. 38, par. 31A-1.2

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that for the purposes of the offenses of bringing contraband into a penal institution, possessing contraband in a penal institution, unauthorized bringing of contraband into a penal institution by an employee, unauthorized possession of contraband in a penal institution by an employee, and unauthorized delivery of contraband in a penal institution by an employee, the term "item of contraband" includes poppers. Defines a popper as a device that, when placed in a locking mechanism of a cell door, can override, block or in any way defeat the locking mechanism of a cell door allowing the inmate to exit the unlocked cell. Establishes penalties.

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CORRECTIONAL BUDGET AND IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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
Sections 31A-1.1 and 31A-1.2 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/31A-1.1) (from Ch. 38, par. 31A-1.1)

Sec. 31A-1.1. Bringing Contraband into a Penal
Institution; Possessing Contraband in a Penal Institution.

9 (a) A person commits the offense of bringing contraband into a penal institution when he knowingly and without 10 11 authority of any person designated or authorized to grant such authority (1) brings an item of contraband into a penal 12 13 institution or (2) causes another to bring an item of 14 contraband into a penal institution or (3) places an item of contraband in such proximity to a penal institution as to give 15 16 an inmate access to the contraband.

(b) A person commits the offense of possessing contraband in a penal institution when he possesses contraband in a penal institution, regardless of the intent with which he possesses it.

(c) For the purposes of this Section, the words and phraseslisted below shall be defined as follows:

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(1) "Penal institution" means any penitentiary, State

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farm, reformatory, prison, jail, house of correction, 1 2 police detention area, half-way house or other institution 3 or place for the incarceration or custody of persons under sentence for offenses awaiting trial or sentence for 4 5 offenses, under arrest for an offense, a violation of probation, a violation of parole, or a violation of 6 7 mandatory supervised release, or awaiting a bail setting 8 hearing or preliminary hearing; provided that where the 9 place for incarceration or custody is housed within another 10 public building this Act shall not apply to that part of 11 such building unrelated to the incarceration or custody of 12 persons.

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(2) "Item of contraband" means any of the following:

(i) "Alcoholic liquor" as such term is defined in Section 1-3.05 of the Liquor Control Act of 1934.

16 (ii) "Cannabis" as such term is defined in
17 subsection (a) of Section 3 of the Cannabis Control
18 Act.

(iii) "Controlled substance" as such term is
 defined in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.

(iii-a) "Methamphetamine" as such term is defined
in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or the
Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act.

(iv) "Hypodermic syringe" or hypodermic needle, or
 any instrument adapted for use of controlled
 substances or cannabis by subcutaneous injection.

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(v) "Weapon" means any knife, dagger, dirk, billy,
razor, stiletto, broken bottle, or other piece of glass
which could be used as a dangerous weapon. Such term
includes any of the devices or implements designated in
subsections (a) (1), (a) (3) and (a) (6) of Section 24-1
of this Act, or any other dangerous weapon or
instrument of like character.

8 (vi) "Firearm" means any device, by whatever name 9 known, which is designed to expel a projectile or 10 projectiles by the action of an explosion, expansion of 11 gas or escape of gas, including but not limited to:

(A) any pneumatic gun, spring gun, or B-B gun
which expels a single globular projectile not
exceeding .18 inch in diameter, or;

(B) any device used exclusively for signaling
or safety and required as recommended by the United
States Coast Guard or the Interstate Commerce
Commission; or

19(C) any device used exclusively for the firing20of stud cartridges, explosive rivets or industrial21ammunition; or

(D) any device which is powered by electrical charging units, such as batteries, and which fires one or several barbs attached to a length of wire and which, upon hitting a human, can send out current capable of disrupting the person's nervous

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system in such a manner as to render him incapable of normal functioning, commonly referred to as a stun gun or taser.

(vii) "Firearm ammunition" means any self-contained cartridge or shotgun shell, by whatever name known, which is designed to be used or adaptable to use in a firearm, including but not limited to:

8 (A) any ammunition exclusively designed for 9 use with a device used exclusively for signaling or 10 safety and required or recommended by the United 11 States Coast Guard or the Interstate Commerce 12 Commission; or

(B) any ammunition designed exclusively for
use with a stud or rivet driver or other similar
industrial ammunition.

(viii) "Explosive" means, but is not limited to,
bomb, bombshell, grenade, bottle or other container
containing an explosive substance of over one-quarter
ounce for like purposes such as black powder bombs and
Molotov cocktails or artillery projectiles.

(ix) "Tool to defeat security mechanisms" means, but is not limited to, handcuff or security restraint key, tool designed to pick locks, or device or instrument capable of unlocking handcuff or security restraints, doors to cells, rooms, gates or other areas of the penal institution. (x) "Cutting tool" means, but is not limited to,
 hacksaw blade, wirecutter, or device, instrument or
 file capable of cutting through metal.

(xi) "Electronic contraband" means, but is not 4 5 limited to, any electronic, video recording device, computer, or cellular communications 6 equipment, 7 including, but not limited to, cellular telephones, 8 cellular telephone batteries, videotape recorders, 9 pagers, computers, and computer peripheral equipment 10 brought into or possessed in a penal institution 11 without the written authorization of the Chief 12 Administrative Officer.

(xii) "Popper" means a device that, when placed in
 a locking mechanism of a cell door, can override, block
 or in any way defeat the locking mechanism of a cell
 door allowing the inmate to exit the unlocked cell.

(d) Bringing alcoholic liquor into a penal institution is a
Class 4 felony. Possessing alcoholic liquor in a penal
institution is a Class 4 felony.

(e) Bringing cannabis into a penal institution is a Class 3
felony. Possessing cannabis in a penal institution is a Class 3
felony.

(f) Bringing any amount of a controlled substance classified in Schedules III, IV or V of Article II of the Controlled Substance Act into a penal institution is a Class 2 felony. Possessing any amount of a controlled substance

1 classified in Schedule III, IV, or V of Article II of the 2 Controlled Substance Act in a penal institution is a Class 2 3 felony.

4 (g) Bringing any amount of a controlled substance
5 classified in Schedules I or II of Article II of the Controlled
6 Substance Act into a penal institution is a Class 1 felony.
7 Possessing any amount of a controlled substance classified in
8 Schedules I or II of Article II of the Controlled Substance Act
9 in a penal institution is a Class 1 felony.

(h) Bringing an item of contraband listed in paragraph (iv) of subsection (c)(2) into a penal institution is a Class 1 felony. Possessing an item of contraband listed in paragraph (iv) of subsection (c)(2) in a penal institution is a Class 1 felony.

(i) Bringing an item of contraband listed in paragraph (v),
(ix), (x), or (xi), <u>or (xii)</u> of subsection (c)(2) into a penal
institution is a Class 1 felony. Possessing an item of
contraband listed in paragraph (v), (ix), (x), <u>or</u> (xi), <u>or</u>
(xii) of subsection (c)(2) in a penal institution is a Class 1
felony.

(j) Bringing an item of contraband listed in paragraphs
(vi), (vii) or (viii) of subsection (c)(2) in a penal
institution is a Class X felony. Possessing an item of
contraband listed in paragraphs (vi), (vii), or (viii) of
subsection (c)(2) in a penal institution is a Class X felony.
(k) It shall be an affirmative defense to subsection (b)

hereof, that such possession was specifically authorized by rule, regulation, or directive of the governing authority of the penal institution or order issued pursuant thereto.

(1) It shall be an affirmative defense to subsection (a) (1)
and subsection (b) hereof that the person bringing into or
possessing contraband in a penal institution had been arrested,
and that that person possessed such contraband at the time of
his arrest, and that such contraband was brought into or
possessed in the penal institution by that person as a direct
and immediate result of his arrest.

(m) Items confiscated may be retained for use by the Department of Corrections or disposed of as deemed appropriate by the Chief Administrative Officer in accordance with Department rules or disposed of as required by law.

15 (Source: P.A. 94-556, eff. 9-11-05; 94-1017, eff. 7-7-06.)

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(720 ILCS 5/31A-1.2) (from Ch. 38, par. 31A-1.2)

Sec. 31A-1.2. Unauthorized bringing of contraband into a penal institution by an employee; unauthorized possessing of contraband in a penal institution by an employee; unauthorized delivery of contraband in a penal institution by an employee.

(a) A person commits the offense of unauthorized bringing
of contraband into a penal institution by an employee when a
person who is an employee knowingly and without authority of
any person designated or authorized to grant such authority:
(1) brings or attempts to bring an item of contraband

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listed in subsection (d)(4) into a penal institution, or

2 (2) causes or permits another to bring an item of 3 contraband listed in subsection (d)(4) into a penal 4 institution.

5 (b) A person commits the offense of unauthorized possession 6 of contraband in a penal institution by an employee when a 7 person who is an employee knowingly and without authority of 8 any person designated or authorized to grant such authority 9 possesses contraband listed in subsection (d)(4) in a penal 10 institution, regardless of the intent with which he possesses 11 it.

12 (c) A person commits the offense of unauthorized delivery 13 of contraband in a penal institution by an employee when a 14 person who is an employee knowingly and without authority of 15 any person designated or authorized to grant such authority:

(1) delivers or possesses with intent to deliver an
item of contraband to any inmate of a penal institution, or
(2) conspires to deliver or solicits the delivery of an
item of contraband to any inmate of a penal institution, or
(3) causes or permits the delivery of an item of

21 contraband to any inmate of a penal institution, or

(4) permits another person to attempt to deliver anitem of contraband to any inmate of a penal institution.

24 (d) For purpose of this Section, the words and phrases25 listed below shall be defined as follows:

26 (1) "Penal Institution" shall have the meaning

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1 ascribed to it in subsection (c)(1) of Section 31A-1.1 of 2 this Code;

3 (2) "Employee" means any elected or appointed officer, 4 trustee or employee of a penal institution or of the 5 governing authority of the penal institution, or any person 6 who performs services for the penal institution pursuant to 7 contract with the penal institution or its governing 8 authority.

9 (3) "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, 10 constructive or attempted transfer of possession of an item 11 of contraband, with or without consideration, whether or 12 not there is an agency relationship;

(4) "Item of contraband" means any of the following:

14 (i) "Alcoholic liquor" as such term is defined in
15 Section 1-3.05 of the Liquor Control Act of 1934.

16 (ii) "Cannabis" as such term is defined in
17 subsection (a) of Section 3 of the Cannabis Control
18 Act.

(iii) "Controlled substance" as such term is
 defined in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act.

(iii-a) "Methamphetamine" as such term is defined
in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act or the
Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act.

(iv) "Hypodermic syringe" or hypodermic needle, or
 any instrument adapted for use of controlled
 substances or cannabis by subcutaneous injection.

(v) "Weapon" means any knife, dagger, dirk, billy,
razor, stiletto, broken bottle, or other piece of glass
which could be used as a dangerous weapon. Such term
includes any of the devices or implements designated in
subsections (a) (1), (a) (3) and (a) (6) of Section 24-1
of this Act, or any other dangerous weapon or
instrument of like character.

8 (vi) "Firearm" means any device, by whatever name 9 known, which is designed to expel a projectile or 10 projectiles by the action of an explosion, expansion of 11 gas or escape of gas, including but not limited to:

(A) any pneumatic gun, spring gun, or B-B gun
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system in such a manner as to render him incapable of normal functioning, commonly referred to as a stun gun or taser.

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17 bomb, bombshell, grenade, bottle or other container
18 containing an explosive substance of over one-quarter
19 ounce for like purposes such as black powder bombs and
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 hacksaw blade, wirecutter, or device, instrument or
 file capable of cutting through metal.

4 (xi) "Electronic contraband" means, but is not 5 limited to, any electronic, video recording device, 6 computer, or cellular communications equipment, 7 including, but not limited to, cellular telephones, 8 cellular telephone batteries, videotape recorders, 9 pagers, computers, and computer peripheral equipment.

10 <u>(xii) "Popper" means a device that, when placed in</u>
11 <u>a locking mechanism of a cell door, can override, block</u>
12 <u>or in any way defeat the locking mechanism of a cell</u>
13 door allowing the inmate to exit the unlocked cell.

14 For a violation of subsection (a) or (b) involving a 15 cellular telephone or cellular telephone battery, the 16 defendant must intend to provide the cellular telephone or 17 cellular telephone battery to any inmate in a penal institution, or to use the cellular telephone or cellular 18 telephone battery at the direction of an inmate or for the 19 20 benefit of any inmate of a penal institution.

(e) A violation of paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Section
involving alcohol is a Class 4 felony. A violation of paragraph
(a) or (b) of this Section involving cannabis is a Class 2
felony. A violation of paragraph (a) or (b) involving any
amount of a controlled substance classified in Schedules III,
IV or V of Article II of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act

is a Class 1 felony. A violation of paragraph (a) or (b) of 1 2 this Section involving any amount of a controlled substance classified in Schedules I or II of Article II of the Illinois 3 Controlled Substances Act is a Class X felony. A violation of 4 5 paragraph (a) or (b) involving an item of contraband listed in 6 paragraph (iv) of subsection (d)(4) is a Class X felony. A 7 violation of paragraph (a) or (b) involving an item of 8 contraband listed in paragraph (v) or (xi) of subsection (d)(4)9 is a Class 1 felony. A violation of paragraph (a) or (b) 10 involving an item of contraband listed in paragraphs (vi), 11 (vii) or (viii) of subsection (d)(4) is a Class X felony.

12 (f) A violation of paragraph (c) of this Section involving alcoholic liquor is a Class 3 felony. A violation of paragraph 13 (c) involving cannabis is a Class 1 felony. A violation of 14 15 paragraph (c) involving any amount of a controlled substance classified in Schedules III, IV or V of Article II of the 16 17 Illinois Controlled Substances Act is a Class X felony. A violation of paragraph (c) involving any amount of a controlled 18 substance classified in Schedules I or II of Article II of the 19 20 Illinois Controlled Substances Act is a Class X felony for which the minimum term of imprisonment shall be 8 years. A 21 22 violation of paragraph (c) involving an item of contraband 23 listed in paragraph (iv) of subsection (d)(4) is a Class X felony for which the minimum term of imprisonment shall be 8 24 25 years. A violation of paragraph (c) involving an item of 26 contraband listed in paragraph (v), (ix), or (x), or (xii) of

subsection (d) (4) is a Class X felony for which the minimum term of imprisonment shall be 10 years. A violation of paragraph (c) involving an item of contraband listed in paragraphs (vi), (vii) or (viii) of subsection (d)(4) is a Class X felony for which the minimum term of imprisonment shall be 12 years.

7 (g) Items confiscated may be retained for use by the 8 Department of Corrections or disposed of as deemed appropriate 9 by the Chief Administrative Officer in accordance with 10 Department rules or disposed of as required by law.

(h) For a violation of subsection (a) or (b) involving items described in clause (i), (v), (vi), (vii), (ix), (x), or (xi), or (xii) of paragraph (4) of subsection (d), such items shall not be considered to be in a penal institution when they are secured in an employee's locked, private motor vehicle parked on the grounds of a penal institution.

17 (Source: P.A. 95-962, eff. 1-1-09; 96-328, eff. 8-11-09.)