

1 AN ACT concerning 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 changing  
5 Section 11-20.1 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/11-20.1) (from Ch. 38, par. 11-20.1)

7 Sec. 11-20.1. Child pornography.

8 (a) A person commits child pornography who:

9 (1) films, videotapes, photographs, or otherwise  
10 depicts or portrays by means of any similar visual medium  
11 or reproduction or depicts by computer any child whom he or  
12 she knows or reasonably should know to be under the age of  
13 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or any severely or  
14 profoundly intellectually disabled person where such child  
15 or severely or profoundly intellectually disabled person  
16 is:

17 (i) actually or by simulation engaged in any act of  
18 sexual penetration or sexual conduct with any person or  
19 animal; or

20 (ii) actually or by simulation engaged in any act  
21 of sexual penetration or sexual conduct involving the  
22 sex organs of the child or severely or profoundly  
23 intellectually disabled person and the mouth, anus, or

1 sex organs of another person or animal; or which  
2 involves the mouth, anus or sex organs of the child or  
3 severely or profoundly intellectually disabled person  
4 and the sex organs of another person or animal; or

5 (iii) actually or by simulation engaged in any act  
6 of masturbation; or

7 (iv) actually or by simulation portrayed as being  
8 the object of, or otherwise engaged in, any act of lewd  
9 fondling, touching, or caressing involving another  
10 person or animal; or

11 (v) actually or by simulation engaged in any act of  
12 excretion or urination within a sexual context; or

13 (vi) actually or by simulation portrayed or  
14 depicted as bound, fettered, or subject to sadistic,  
15 masochistic, or sadomasochistic abuse in any sexual  
16 context; or

17 (vii) depicted or portrayed in any pose, posture or  
18 setting involving a lewd exhibition of the unclothed or  
19 transparently clothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks,  
20 or, if such person is female, a fully or partially  
21 developed breast of the child or other person; or

22 (2) with the knowledge of the nature or content  
23 thereof, reproduces, disseminates, offers to disseminate,  
24 exhibits or possesses with intent to disseminate any film,  
25 videotape, photograph or other similar visual reproduction  
26 or depiction by computer of any child or severely or

1 profoundly intellectually disabled person whom the person  
2 knows or reasonably should know to be under the age of 18  
3 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or to be a severely or  
4 profoundly intellectually disabled person, engaged in any  
5 activity described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of  
6 paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

7 (3) with knowledge of the subject matter or theme  
8 thereof, produces any stage play, live performance, film,  
9 videotape or other similar visual portrayal or depiction by  
10 computer which includes a child whom the person knows or  
11 reasonably should know to be under the age of 18 ~~and at~~  
12 ~~least 13 years of age~~ or a severely or profoundly  
13 intellectually disabled person engaged in any activity  
14 described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of paragraph  
15 (1) of this subsection; or

16 (4) solicits, uses, persuades, induces, entices, or  
17 coerces any child whom he or she knows or reasonably should  
18 know to be under the age of 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~  
19 or a severely or profoundly intellectually disabled person  
20 to appear in any stage play, live presentation, film,  
21 videotape, photograph or other similar visual reproduction  
22 or depiction by computer in which the child or severely or  
23 profoundly intellectually disabled person is or will be  
24 depicted, actually or by simulation, in any act, pose or  
25 setting described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of  
26 paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

1           (5) is a parent, step-parent, legal guardian or other  
2 person having care or custody of a child whom the person  
3 knows or reasonably should know to be under the age of 18  
4 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or a severely or profoundly  
5 intellectually disabled person and who knowingly permits,  
6 induces, promotes, or arranges for such child or severely  
7 or profoundly intellectually disabled person to appear in  
8 any stage play, live performance, film, videotape,  
9 photograph or other similar visual presentation, portrayal  
10 or simulation or depiction by computer of any act or  
11 activity described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of  
12 paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

13           (6) with knowledge of the nature or content thereof,  
14 possesses any film, videotape, photograph or other similar  
15 visual reproduction or depiction by computer of any child  
16 or severely or profoundly intellectually disabled person  
17 whom the person knows or reasonably should know to be under  
18 the age of 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or to be a  
19 severely or profoundly intellectually disabled person,  
20 engaged in any activity described in subparagraphs (i)  
21 through (vii) of paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

22           (7) solicits, or knowingly uses, persuades, induces,  
23 entices, or coerces, a person to provide a child under the  
24 age of 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or a severely or  
25 profoundly intellectually disabled person to appear in any  
26 videotape, photograph, film, stage play, live

1 presentation, or other similar visual reproduction or  
2 depiction by computer in which the child or severely or  
3 profoundly intellectually disabled person will be  
4 depicted, actually or by simulation, in any act, pose, or  
5 setting described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) of  
6 paragraph (1) of this subsection.

7 (b) (1) It shall be an affirmative defense to a charge of  
8 child pornography that the defendant reasonably believed,  
9 under all of the circumstances, that the child was 18 years  
10 of age or older or that the person was not a severely or  
11 profoundly intellectually disabled person but only where,  
12 prior to the act or acts giving rise to a prosecution under  
13 this Section, he or she took some affirmative action or  
14 made a bonafide inquiry designed to ascertain whether the  
15 child was 18 years of age or older or that the person was  
16 not a severely or profoundly intellectually disabled  
17 person and his or her reliance upon the information so  
18 obtained was clearly reasonable.

19 (1.5) Telecommunications carriers, commercial mobile  
20 service providers, and providers of information services,  
21 including, but not limited to, Internet service providers  
22 and hosting service providers, are not liable under this  
23 Section by virtue of the transmission, storage, or caching  
24 of electronic communications or messages of others or by  
25 virtue of the provision of other related  
26 telecommunications, commercial mobile services, or

1 information services used by others in violation of this  
2 Section.

3 (2) (Blank).

4 (3) The charge of child pornography shall not apply to  
5 the performance of official duties by law enforcement or  
6 prosecuting officers or persons employed by law  
7 enforcement or prosecuting agencies, court personnel or  
8 attorneys, nor to bonafide treatment or professional  
9 education programs conducted by licensed physicians,  
10 psychologists or social workers.

11 (4) If the defendant possessed more than one of the  
12 same film, videotape or visual reproduction or depiction by  
13 computer in which child pornography is depicted, then the  
14 trier of fact may infer that the defendant possessed such  
15 materials with the intent to disseminate them.

16 (5) The charge of child pornography does not apply to a  
17 person who does not voluntarily possess a film, videotape,  
18 or visual reproduction or depiction by computer in which  
19 child pornography is depicted. Possession is voluntary if  
20 the defendant knowingly procures or receives a film,  
21 videotape, or visual reproduction or depiction for a  
22 sufficient time to be able to terminate his or her  
23 possession.

24 (6) Any violation of paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5),  
25 or (7) of subsection (a) that includes a child engaged in,  
26 solicited for, depicted in, or posed in any act of sexual

1 penetration or bound, fettered, or subject to sadistic,  
2 masochistic, or sadomasochistic abuse in a sexual context  
3 shall be deemed a crime of violence.

4 (c) If the violation does not involve a film, videotape, or  
5 other moving depiction, a violation of paragraph (1), (4), (5),  
6 or (7) of subsection (a) is a Class 1 felony with a mandatory  
7 minimum fine of \$2,000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. If the  
8 violation involves a film, videotape, or other moving  
9 depiction, a violation of paragraph (1), (4), (5), or (7) of  
10 subsection (a) is a Class X felony with a mandatory minimum  
11 fine of \$2,000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. If the violation  
12 does not involve a film, videotape, or other moving depiction,  
13 a violation of paragraph (3) of subsection (a) is a Class 1  
14 felony with a mandatory minimum fine of \$1500 and a maximum  
15 fine of \$100,000. If the violation involves a film, videotape,  
16 or other moving depiction, a violation of paragraph (3) of  
17 subsection (a) is a Class X felony with a mandatory minimum  
18 fine of \$1500 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. If the violation  
19 does not involve a film, videotape, or other moving depiction,  
20 a violation of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) is a Class 1  
21 felony with a mandatory minimum fine of \$1000 and a maximum  
22 fine of \$100,000. If the violation involves a film, videotape,  
23 or other moving depiction, a violation of paragraph (2) of  
24 subsection (a) is a Class X felony with a mandatory minimum  
25 fine of \$1000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. If the violation  
26 does not involve a film, videotape, or other moving depiction,

1 a violation of paragraph (6) of subsection (a) is a Class 3  
2 felony with a mandatory minimum fine of \$1000 and a maximum  
3 fine of \$100,000. If the violation involves a film, videotape,  
4 or other moving depiction, a violation of paragraph (6) of  
5 subsection (a) is a Class 2 felony with a mandatory minimum  
6 fine of \$1000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000.

7 (c-5) Where the child depicted is under the age of 13, a  
8 violation of paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), or (7) of  
9 subsection (a) is a Class X felony with a mandatory minimum  
10 fine of \$2,000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. Where the child  
11 depicted is under the age of 13, a violation of paragraph (6)  
12 of subsection (a) is a Class 2 felony with a mandatory minimum  
13 fine of \$1,000 and a maximum fine of \$100,000. Where the child  
14 depicted is under the age of 13, a person who commits a  
15 violation of paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), or (7) of  
16 subsection (a) where the defendant has previously been  
17 convicted under the laws of this State or any other state of  
18 the offense of child pornography, aggravated child  
19 pornography, aggravated criminal sexual abuse, aggravated  
20 criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a  
21 child, or any of the offenses formerly known as rape, deviate  
22 sexual assault, indecent liberties with a child, or aggravated  
23 indecent liberties with a child where the victim was under the  
24 age of 18 years or an offense that is substantially equivalent  
25 to those offenses, is guilty of a Class X felony for which the  
26 person shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not less



1 than 9 years with a mandatory minimum fine of \$2,000 and a  
2 maximum fine of \$100,000. Where the child depicted is under the  
3 age of 13, a person who commits a violation of paragraph (6) of  
4 subsection (a) where the defendant has previously been  
5 convicted under the laws of this State or any other state of  
6 the offense of child pornography, aggravated child  
7 pornography, aggravated criminal sexual abuse, aggravated  
8 criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a  
9 child, or any of the offenses formerly known as rape, deviate  
10 sexual assault, indecent liberties with a child, or aggravated  
11 indecent liberties with a child where the victim was under the  
12 age of 18 years or an offense that is substantially equivalent  
13 to those offenses, is guilty of a Class 1 felony with a  
14 mandatory minimum fine of \$1,000 and a maximum fine of  
15 \$100,000. The issue of whether the child depicted is under the  
16 age of 13 is an element of the offense to be resolved by the  
17 trier of fact.

18 (d) If a person is convicted of a second or subsequent  
19 violation of this Section within 10 years of a prior  
20 conviction, the court shall order a presentence psychiatric  
21 examination of the person. The examiner shall report to the  
22 court whether treatment of the person is necessary.

23 (e) Any film, videotape, photograph or other similar visual  
24 reproduction or depiction by computer which includes a child  
25 under the age of 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or a severely  
26 or profoundly intellectually disabled person engaged in any

1 activity described in subparagraphs (i) through (vii) or  
2 paragraph 1 of subsection (a), and any material or equipment  
3 used or intended for use in photographing, filming, printing,  
4 producing, reproducing, manufacturing, projecting, exhibiting,  
5 depiction by computer, or disseminating such material shall be  
6 seized and forfeited in the manner, method and procedure  
7 provided by Section 36-1 of this Code for the seizure and  
8 forfeiture of vessels, vehicles and aircraft.

9 In addition, any person convicted under this Section is  
10 subject to the property forfeiture provisions set forth in  
11 Article 124B of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963.

12 (e-5) Upon the conclusion of a case brought under this  
13 Section, the court shall seal all evidence depicting a victim  
14 or witness that is sexually explicit. The evidence may be  
15 unsealed and viewed, on a motion of the party seeking to unseal  
16 and view the evidence, only for good cause shown and in the  
17 discretion of the court. The motion must expressly set forth  
18 the purpose for viewing the material. The State's attorney and  
19 the victim, if possible, shall be provided reasonable notice of  
20 the hearing on the motion to unseal the evidence. Any person  
21 entitled to notice of a hearing under this subsection (e-5) may  
22 object to the motion.

23 (f) Definitions. For the purposes of this Section:

24 (1) "Disseminate" means (i) to sell, distribute,  
25 exchange or transfer possession, whether with or without  
26 consideration or (ii) to make a depiction by computer

1 available for distribution or downloading through the  
2 facilities of any telecommunications network or through  
3 any other means of transferring computer programs or data  
4 to a computer.

5 (2) "Produce" means to direct, promote, advertise,  
6 publish, manufacture, issue, present or show.

7 (3) "Reproduce" means to make a duplication or copy.

8 (4) "Depict by computer" means to generate or create,  
9 or cause to be created or generated, a computer program or  
10 data that, after being processed by a computer either alone  
11 or in conjunction with one or more computer programs,  
12 results in a visual depiction on a computer monitor,  
13 screen, or display.

14 (5) "Depiction by computer" means a computer program or  
15 data that, after being processed by a computer either alone  
16 or in conjunction with one or more computer programs,  
17 results in a visual depiction on a computer monitor,  
18 screen, or display.

19 (6) "Computer", "computer program", and "data" have  
20 the meanings ascribed to them in Section 16D-2 of this  
21 Code.

22 (7) For the purposes of this Section, "child  
23 pornography" includes a film, videotape, photograph, or  
24 other similar visual medium or reproduction or depiction by  
25 computer that is, or appears to be, that of a person,  
26 either in part, or in total, under the age of 18 ~~and at~~

1 ~~least 13 years of age~~ or a severely or profoundly  
2 intellectually disabled ~~mentally retarded~~ person,  
3 regardless of the method by which the film, videotape,  
4 photograph, or other similar visual medium or reproduction  
5 or depiction by computer is created, adopted, or modified  
6 to appear as such. "Child pornography" also includes a  
7 film, videotape, photograph, or other similar visual  
8 medium or reproduction or depiction by computer that is  
9 advertised, promoted, presented, described, or distributed  
10 in such a manner that conveys the impression that the film,  
11 videotape, photograph, or other similar visual medium or  
12 reproduction or depiction by computer is of a person under  
13 the age of 18 ~~and at least 13 years of age~~ or a severely or  
14 profoundly intellectually disabled ~~mentally retarded~~  
15 person.

16 (g) Re-enactment; findings; purposes.

17 (1) The General Assembly finds and declares that:

18 (i) Section 50-5 of Public Act 88-680, effective  
19 January 1, 1995, contained provisions amending the  
20 child pornography statute, Section 11-20.1 of the  
21 Criminal Code of 1961. Section 50-5 also contained  
22 other provisions.

23 (ii) In addition, Public Act 88-680 was entitled  
24 "AN ACT to create a Safe Neighborhoods Law". (A)  
25 Article 5 was entitled JUVENILE JUSTICE and amended the  
26 Juvenile Court Act of 1987. (B) Article 15 was entitled

1 GANGS and amended various provisions of the Criminal  
2 Code of 1961 and the Unified Code of Corrections. (C)  
3 Article 20 was entitled ALCOHOL ABUSE and amended  
4 various provisions of the Illinois Vehicle Code. (D)  
5 Article 25 was entitled DRUG ABUSE and amended the  
6 Cannabis Control Act and the Illinois Controlled  
7 Substances Act. (E) Article 30 was entitled FIREARMS  
8 and amended the Criminal Code of 1961 and the Code of  
9 Criminal Procedure of 1963. (F) Article 35 amended the  
10 Criminal Code of 1961, the Rights of Crime Victims and  
11 Witnesses Act, and the Unified Code of Corrections. (G)  
12 Article 40 amended the Criminal Code of 1961 to  
13 increase the penalty for compelling organization  
14 membership of persons. (H) Article 45 created the  
15 Secure Residential Youth Care Facility Licensing Act  
16 and amended the State Finance Act, the Juvenile Court  
17 Act of 1987, the Unified Code of Corrections, and the  
18 Private Correctional Facility Moratorium Act. (I)  
19 Article 50 amended the WIC Vendor Management Act, the  
20 Firearm Owners Identification Card Act, the Juvenile  
21 Court Act of 1987, the Criminal Code of 1961, the  
22 Wrongs to Children Act, and the Unified Code of  
23 Corrections.

24 (iii) On September 22, 1998, the Third District  
25 Appellate Court in *People v. Dainty*, 701 N.E. 2d 118,  
26 ruled that Public Act 88-680 violates the single

1 subject clause of the Illinois Constitution (Article  
2 IV, Section 8 (d)) and was unconstitutional in its  
3 entirety. As of the time this amendatory Act of 1999  
4 was prepared, People v. Dainty was still subject to  
5 appeal.

6 (iv) Child pornography is a vital concern to the  
7 people of this State and the validity of future  
8 prosecutions under the child pornography statute of  
9 the Criminal Code of 1961 is in grave doubt.

10 (2) It is the purpose of this amendatory Act of 1999 to  
11 prevent or minimize any problems relating to prosecutions  
12 for child pornography that may result from challenges to  
13 the constitutional validity of Public Act 88-680 by  
14 re-enacting the Section relating to child pornography that  
15 was included in Public Act 88-680.

16 (3) This amendatory Act of 1999 re-enacts Section  
17 11-20.1 of the Criminal Code of 1961, as it has been  
18 amended. This re-enactment is intended to remove any  
19 question as to the validity or content of that Section; it  
20 is not intended to supersede any other Public Act that  
21 amends the text of the Section as set forth in this  
22 amendatory Act of 1999. The material is shown as existing  
23 text (i.e., without underscoring) because, as of the time  
24 this amendatory Act of 1999 was prepared, People v. Dainty  
25 was subject to appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court.

26 (4) The re-enactment by this amendatory Act of 1999 of

1           Section 11-20.1 of the Criminal Code of 1961 relating to  
2           child pornography that was amended by Public Act 88-680 is  
3           not intended, and shall not be construed, to imply that  
4           Public Act 88-680 is invalid or to limit or impair any  
5           legal argument concerning whether those provisions were  
6           substantially re-enacted by other Public Acts.

7           (Source: P.A. 96-292, eff. 1-1-10; 96-712, eff. 1-1-10;  
8           96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11; 97-157, eff.  
9           1-1-12; 97-227, eff. 1-1-12; revised 9-12-11.)

10           (720 ILCS 5/11-20.1B rep.)

11           Section 10. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by  
12           repealing Section 11-20.1B.