

HB1119



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/26.5-2

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning harassment by telephone.

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A BILL FOR

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 2012 is amended by
5 changing Section 26.5-2 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/26.5-2)

7 Sec. 26.5-2. Harassment by telephone.

8 (a) A person commits harassment by telephone when he or
9 she uses telephone communication for any of the ~~the~~ following
10 purposes:

11 (1) Making any comment, request, suggestion or
12 proposal which is obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy or
13 indecent with an intent to offend;

14 (2) Making a telephone call, whether or not
15 conversation ensues, with intent to abuse, threaten or
16 harass any person at the called number;

17 (3) Making or causing the telephone of another
18 repeatedly to ring, with intent to harass any person at
19 the called number;

20 (4) Making repeated telephone calls, during which
21 conversation ensues, solely to harass any person at the
22 called number;

23 (5) Making a telephone call or knowingly inducing a

1 person to make a telephone call for the purpose of
2 harassing another person who is under 13 years of age,
3 regardless of whether the person under 13 years of age
4 consents to the harassment, if the defendant is at least
5 16 years of age at the time of the commission of the
6 offense; or

7 (6) Knowingly permitting any telephone under one's
8 control to be used for any of the purposes mentioned
9 herein.

10 (b) Every telephone directory published for distribution
11 to members of the general public shall contain a notice
12 setting forth a summary of the provisions of this Section. The
13 notice shall be printed in type which is no smaller than any
14 other type on the same page and shall be preceded by the word
15 "WARNING". All telephone companies in this State shall
16 cooperate with law enforcement agencies in using their
17 facilities and personnel to detect and prevent violations of
18 this Article.

19 (Source: P.A. 97-1108, eff. 1-1-13.)