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10200SB1277sam001 LRB102 11047 RLC 25175 a 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1277 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1277 by replacing 2 everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by 4 5 changing Section 31-4 as follows: (720 ILCS 5/31-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 31-4) 6 7 Sec. 31-4. Obstructing justice. (a) A person obstructs justice when, with intent to 8 prevent the apprehension or obstruct the prosecution or defense of any person, he or she knowingly commits any of the 10 following acts: 11 (1) Destroys, alters, conceals or disguises physical 12 evidence, plants false evidence, furnishes false 13 14 information; or

(2) Induces a witness having knowledge material to the

subject at issue to leave the State or conceal himself or

herself; or

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- (3) Possessing knowledge material to the subject at issue, he or she leaves the State or conceals himself; or
- (4) If a parent, legal guardian, or caretaker of a child under 13 years of age reports materially false information to a law enforcement agency, medical examiner, coroner, State's Attorney, or other governmental agency during an investigation of the disappearance or death of a child under circumstances described in subsection (a) or (b) of Section 10-10 of this Code.
- 11 (b) Sentence.
 - (1) Obstructing justice is a Class 4 felony, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection (b).
 - (2) Obstructing justice in furtherance of streetgang related or gang-related activity, as defined in Section 10 of the Illinois Streetgang Terrorism Omnibus Prevention Act, is a Class 3 felony.
- 18 (c) For purposes of paragraph (1) of subsection (a),

 19 "conceal" means hiding evidence in a manner that makes its

 20 discovery or recovery materially more difficult or impossible.

 21 (Source: P.A. 97-1079, eff. 1-1-13.)
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 23 becoming law.".