

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB2942

Introduced 10/19/2021, by Sen. Sally J. Turner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

725 ILCS 5/115-11

from Ch. 38, par. 115-11

Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Provides that in a prosecution for a criminal offense defined in the Sex Offense Article of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 or for criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal sexual abuse, or aggravated criminal sexual abuse when the alleged victim of the offense was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, the court may exclude from the proceedings while the victim is testifying, regardless of the alleged victim's age at the time of the victim's courtroom testimony, all persons, who, in the opinion of the court, do not have a direct interest in the case, except the media. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

- Section 5. The Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 is amended by changing Section 115-11 as follows:
- 6 (725 ILCS 5/115-11) (from Ch. 38, par. 115-11)
- 7 Sec. 115-11. In a prosecution for a criminal offense
- 8 defined in Article 11 or in Section 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40,
- 9 11-1.50, 11-1.60, 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15 or 12-16 of the
- 10 Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012, when where
- 11 the alleged victim of the offense was is a minor under 18 years
- of age at the time of the offense, the court may exclude from
- the proceedings while the victim is testifying, regardless of
- 14 the alleged victim's age at the time of the victim's courtroom
- 15 <u>testimony</u>, all persons, who, in the opinion of the court, do
- not have a direct interest in the case, except the media.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.)
- 18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 19 becoming law.