

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB0926

Introduced 02/02/05, by Rep. Robert W. Churchill

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 5/609

from Ch. 40, par. 609

Amends the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. Provides that the court may consider the financial advantage to the custodial parent when determining the best interest of the child for purposes of moving the child from Illinois.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act is amended by changing Section 609 as follows:
- 6 (750 ILCS 5/609) (from Ch. 40, par. 609)
- 7 Sec. 609. Leave to Remove Children.) (a) The court may grant leave, before or after judgment, to any party having 8 custody of any minor child or children to remove such child or 9 10 children from Illinois whenever such approval is in the best interests of such child or children. The burden of proving that 11 such removal is in the best interests of such child or children 12 is on the party seeking the removal. The court may consider the 13 14 financial advantage to the custodial parent when determining 15 the best interest of the child. When such removal is permitted, the court may require the party removing such child or children 16 17 from Illinois to give reasonable security guaranteeing the return of such children. 18
 - (b) Before a minor child is temporarily removed from Illinois, the parent responsible for the removal shall inform the other parent, or the other parent's attorney, of the address and telephone number where the child may be reached during the period of temporary removal, and the date on which the child shall return to Illinois.
- 25 The State of Illinois retains jurisdiction when the minor 26 child is absent from the State pursuant to this subsection.
- 27 (Source: P.A. 85-768.)

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