

**HB4918**



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2005 and 2006**

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Introduced 1/19/2006, by Rep. Jay C. Hoffman

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

720 ILCS 5/31-4

from Ch. 38, par. 31-4

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning obstructing justice.

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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 1961 is amended by changing  
5 Section 31-4 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/31-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 31-4)

7 Sec. 31-4. Obstructing justice.

8 A person obstructs justice when, with intent to prevent the  
9 ~~the~~ apprehension or obstruct the prosecution or defense of any  
10 person, he knowingly commits any of the following acts:

11 (a) Destroys, alters, conceals or disguises physical  
12 evidence, plants false evidence, furnishes false information;  
13 or

14 (b) Induces a witness having knowledge material to the  
15 subject at issue to leave the State or conceal himself; or

16 (c) Possessing knowledge material to the subject at issue,  
17 he leaves the State or conceals himself.

18 (d) Sentence.

19 (1) Obstructing justice is a Class 4 felony, except as  
20 provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection (d).

21 (2) Obstructing justice in furtherance of streetgang  
22 related or gang-related activity, as defined in Section 10  
23 of the Illinois Streetgang Terrorism Omnibus Prevention  
24 Act, is a Class 3 felony.

25 (Source: P.A. 90-363, eff. 1-1-98.)