95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/15/2008, by Sen. Emil Jones, Jr.

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/21-1.2

from Ch. 38, par. 21-1.2

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the offense of institutional vandalism.

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by changing
 Section 21-1.2 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/21-1.2) (from Ch. 38, par. 21-1.2)

7 Sec. 21-1.2. Institutional vandalism.

8 (a) A person commits institutional vandalism when, by 9 reason of <u>the</u> the actual or perceived race, color, creed, 10 religion or national origin of another individual or group of 11 individuals, regardless of the existence of any other 12 motivating factor or factors, he or she knowingly and without 13 consent inflicts damage to any of the following properties:

14 (1) A church, synagogue, mosque, or other building,
 15 structure or place used for religious worship or other
 16 religious purpose;

17 (2) A cemetery, mortuary, or other facility used for
18 the purpose of burial or memorializing the dead;

19 (3) A school, educational facility or community20 center;

(4) The grounds adjacent to, and owned or rented by,
any institution, facility, building, structure or place
described in paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection

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(a); or

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2 (5) Any personal property contained in any 3 institution, facility, building, structure or place 4 described in paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection 5 (a).

6 (b) Institutional vandalism is a Class 3 felony if the 7 damage to the property does not exceed \$300. Institutional 8 vandalism is a Class 2 felony if the damage to the property 9 exceeds \$300. Institutional vandalism is a Class 2 felony for 10 any second or subsequent offense.

11 (b-5) Upon imposition of any sentence, the trial court 12 shall also either order restitution paid to the victim or impose a fine up to \$1,000. In addition, any order of probation 13 or conditional discharge entered following a conviction or an 14 15 adjudication of delinguency shall include a condition that the offender perform public or community service of no less than 16 17 200 hours if that service is established in the county where the offender was convicted of institutional vandalism. The 18 court may also impose any other condition of probation or 19 20 conditional discharge under this Section.

(c) Independent of any criminal prosecution or the result of that prosecution, a person suffering damage to property or injury to his or her person as a result of institutional vandalism may bring a civil action for damages, injunction or other appropriate relief. The court may award actual damages, including damages for emotional distress, or punitive damages. SB2716 - 3 - LRB095 05888 RLC 25979 b

A judgment may include attorney's fees and costs. The parents or legal guardians of an unemancipated minor, other than guardians appointed under the Juvenile Court Act or the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, shall be liable for the amount of any judgment for actual damages rendered against the minor under this subsection in an amount not exceeding the amount provided under Section 5 of the Parental Responsibility Law.

8 (Source: P.A. 92-830, eff. 1-1-03.)