

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 14-3 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/14-3)

7 Sec. 14-3. Exemptions. The following activities shall be  
8 exempt from the provisions of this Article:

9 (a) Listening to radio, wireless and television  
10 communications of any sort where the same are publicly made;

11 (b) Hearing conversation when heard by employees of any  
12 common carrier by wire incidental to the normal course of their  
13 employment in the operation, maintenance or repair of the  
14 equipment of such common carrier by wire so long as no  
15 information obtained thereby is used or divulged by the hearer;

16 (c) Any broadcast by radio, television or otherwise whether  
17 it be a broadcast or recorded for the purpose of later  
18 broadcasts of any function where the public is in attendance  
19 and the conversations are overheard incidental to the main  
20 purpose for which such broadcasts are then being made;

21 (d) Recording or listening with the aid of any device to  
22 any emergency communication made in the normal course of  
23 operations by any federal, state or local law enforcement

1 agency or institutions dealing in emergency services,  
2 including, but not limited to, hospitals, clinics, ambulance  
3 services, fire fighting agencies, any public utility,  
4 emergency repair facility, civilian defense establishment or  
5 military installation;

6 (e) Recording the proceedings of any meeting required to be  
7 open by the Open Meetings Act, as amended;

8 (f) Recording or listening with the aid of any device to  
9 incoming telephone calls of phone lines publicly listed or  
10 advertised as consumer "hotlines" by manufacturers or  
11 retailers of food and drug products. Such recordings must be  
12 destroyed, erased or turned over to local law enforcement  
13 authorities within 24 hours from the time of such recording and  
14 shall not be otherwise disseminated. Failure on the part of the  
15 individual or business operating any such recording or  
16 listening device to comply with the requirements of this  
17 subsection shall eliminate any civil or criminal immunity  
18 conferred upon that individual or business by the operation of  
19 this Section;

20 (g) With prior notification to the State's Attorney of the  
21 county in which it is to occur, recording or listening with the  
22 aid of any device to any conversation where a law enforcement  
23 officer, or any person acting at the direction of law  
24 enforcement, is a party to the conversation and has consented  
25 to it being intercepted or recorded under circumstances where  
26 the use of the device is necessary for the protection of the

1 law enforcement officer or any person acting at the direction  
2 of law enforcement, in the course of an investigation of a  
3 forcible felony, a felony violation of the Illinois Controlled  
4 Substances Act, a felony violation of the Cannabis Control Act,  
5 a felony violation of the Methamphetamine Control and Community  
6 Protection Act, ~~or~~ any "streetgang related" or "gang-related"  
7 felony as those terms are defined in the Illinois Streetgang  
8 Terrorism Omnibus Prevention Act, or any felony offense  
9 involving any weapon listed in paragraphs (1) through (11) of  
10 subsection (a) of Section 24-1 of this Code. Any recording or  
11 evidence derived as the result of this exemption shall be  
12 inadmissible in any proceeding, criminal, civil or  
13 administrative, except (i) where a party to the conversation  
14 suffers great bodily injury or is killed during such  
15 conversation, or (ii) when used as direct impeachment of a  
16 witness concerning matters contained in the interception or  
17 recording. The Director of the Department of State Police shall  
18 issue regulations as are necessary concerning the use of  
19 devices, retention of tape recordings, and reports regarding  
20 their use;

21 (g-5) With approval of the State's Attorney of the county  
22 in which it is to occur, recording or listening with the aid of  
23 any device to any conversation where a law enforcement officer,  
24 or any person acting at the direction of law enforcement, is a  
25 party to the conversation and has consented to it being  
26 intercepted or recorded in the course of an investigation of

1 any offense defined in Article 29D of this Code. In all such  
2 cases, an application for an order approving the previous or  
3 continuing use of an eavesdropping device must be made within  
4 48 hours of the commencement of such use. In the absence of  
5 such an order, or upon its denial, any continuing use shall  
6 immediately terminate. The Director of State Police shall issue  
7 rules as are necessary concerning the use of devices, retention  
8 of tape recordings, and reports regarding their use.

9 Any recording or evidence obtained or derived in the course  
10 of an investigation of any offense defined in Article 29D of  
11 this Code shall, upon motion of the State's Attorney or  
12 Attorney General prosecuting any violation of Article 29D, be  
13 reviewed in camera with notice to all parties present by the  
14 court presiding over the criminal case, and, if ruled by the  
15 court to be relevant and otherwise admissible, it shall be  
16 admissible at the trial of the criminal case.

17 This subsection (g-5) is inoperative on and after January  
18 1, 2005. No conversations recorded or monitored pursuant to  
19 this subsection (g-5) shall be inadmissible in a court of law  
20 by virtue of the repeal of this subsection (g-5) on January 1,  
21 2005;

22 (g-6) With approval of the State's Attorney of the county  
23 in which it is to occur, recording or listening with the aid of  
24 any device to any conversation where a law enforcement officer,  
25 or any person acting at the direction of law enforcement, is a  
26 party to the conversation and has consented to it being

1 intercepted or recorded in the course of an investigation of  
2 child pornography. In all such cases, an application for an  
3 order approving the previous or continuing use of an  
4 eavesdropping device must be made within 48 hours of the  
5 commencement of such use. In the absence of such an order, or  
6 upon its denial, any continuing use shall immediately  
7 terminate. The Director of State Police shall issue rules as  
8 are necessary concerning the use of devices, retention of  
9 recordings, and reports regarding their use. Any recording or  
10 evidence obtained or derived in the course of an investigation  
11 of child pornography shall, upon motion of the State's Attorney  
12 or Attorney General prosecuting any case involving child  
13 pornography, be reviewed in camera with notice to all parties  
14 present by the court presiding over the criminal case, and, if  
15 ruled by the court to be relevant and otherwise admissible, it  
16 shall be admissible at the trial of the criminal case. Absent  
17 such a ruling, any such recording or evidence shall not be  
18 admissible at the trial of the criminal case;

19 (h) Recordings made simultaneously with a video recording  
20 of an oral conversation between a peace officer, who has  
21 identified his or her office, and a person stopped for an  
22 investigation of an offense under the Illinois Vehicle Code;

23 (i) Recording of a conversation made by or at the request  
24 of a person, not a law enforcement officer or agent of a law  
25 enforcement officer, who is a party to the conversation, under  
26 reasonable suspicion that another party to the conversation is

1 committing, is about to commit, or has committed a criminal  
2 offense against the person or a member of his or her immediate  
3 household, and there is reason to believe that evidence of the  
4 criminal offense may be obtained by the recording;

5 (j) The use of a telephone monitoring device by either (1)  
6 a corporation or other business entity engaged in marketing or  
7 opinion research or (2) a corporation or other business entity  
8 engaged in telephone solicitation, as defined in this  
9 subsection, to record or listen to oral telephone solicitation  
10 conversations or marketing or opinion research conversations  
11 by an employee of the corporation or other business entity  
12 when:

13 (i) the monitoring is used for the purpose of service  
14 quality control of marketing or opinion research or  
15 telephone solicitation, the education or training of  
16 employees or contractors engaged in marketing or opinion  
17 research or telephone solicitation, or internal research  
18 related to marketing or opinion research or telephone  
19 solicitation; and

20 (ii) the monitoring is used with the consent of at  
21 least one person who is an active party to the marketing or  
22 opinion research conversation or telephone solicitation  
23 conversation being monitored.

24 No communication or conversation or any part, portion, or  
25 aspect of the communication or conversation made, acquired, or  
26 obtained, directly or indirectly, under this exemption (j), may

1 be, directly or indirectly, furnished to any law enforcement  
2 officer, agency, or official for any purpose or used in any  
3 inquiry or investigation, or used, directly or indirectly, in  
4 any administrative, judicial, or other proceeding, or divulged  
5 to any third party.

6 When recording or listening authorized by this subsection  
7 (j) on telephone lines used for marketing or opinion research  
8 or telephone solicitation purposes results in recording or  
9 listening to a conversation that does not relate to marketing  
10 or opinion research or telephone solicitation; the person  
11 recording or listening shall, immediately upon determining  
12 that the conversation does not relate to marketing or opinion  
13 research or telephone solicitation, terminate the recording or  
14 listening and destroy any such recording as soon as is  
15 practicable.

16 Business entities that use a telephone monitoring or  
17 telephone recording system pursuant to this exemption (j) shall  
18 provide current and prospective employees with notice that the  
19 monitoring or recordings may occur during the course of their  
20 employment. The notice shall include prominent signage  
21 notification within the workplace.

22 Business entities that use a telephone monitoring or  
23 telephone recording system pursuant to this exemption (j) shall  
24 provide their employees or agents with access to personal-only  
25 telephone lines which may be pay telephones, that are not  
26 subject to telephone monitoring or telephone recording.

1 For the purposes of this subsection (j), "telephone  
2 solicitation" means a communication through the use of a  
3 telephone by live operators:

4 (i) soliciting the sale of goods or services;

5 (ii) receiving orders for the sale of goods or  
6 services;

7 (iii) assisting in the use of goods or services; or

8 (iv) engaging in the solicitation, administration, or  
9 collection of bank or retail credit accounts.

10 For the purposes of this subsection (j), "marketing or  
11 opinion research" means a marketing or opinion research  
12 interview conducted by a live telephone interviewer engaged by  
13 a corporation or other business entity whose principal business  
14 is the design, conduct, and analysis of polls and surveys  
15 measuring the opinions, attitudes, and responses of  
16 respondents toward products and services, or social or  
17 political issues, or both;

18 (k) Electronic recordings, including but not limited to, a  
19 motion picture, videotape, digital, or other visual or audio  
20 recording, made of a custodial interrogation of an individual  
21 at a police station or other place of detention by a law  
22 enforcement officer under Section 5-401.5 of the Juvenile Court  
23 Act of 1987 or Section 103-2.1 of the Code of Criminal  
24 Procedure of 1963;

25 (l) Recording the interview or statement of any person when  
26 the person knows that the interview is being conducted by a law



1 enforcement officer or prosecutor and the interview takes place  
2 at a police station that is currently participating in the  
3 Custodial Interview Pilot Program established under the  
4 Illinois Criminal Justice Information Act;

5 (m) An electronic recording, including but not limited to,  
6 a motion picture, videotape, digital, or other visual or audio  
7 recording, made of the interior of a school bus while the  
8 school bus is being used in the transportation of students to  
9 and from school and school-sponsored activities, when the  
10 school board has adopted a policy authorizing such recording,  
11 notice of such recording policy is included in student  
12 handbooks and other documents including the policies of the  
13 school, notice of the policy regarding recording is provided to  
14 parents of students, and notice of such recording is clearly  
15 posted on the door of and inside the school bus.

16 Recordings made pursuant to this subsection (m) shall be  
17 confidential records and may only be used by school officials  
18 (or their designees) and law enforcement personnel for  
19 investigations, school disciplinary actions and hearings,  
20 proceedings under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, and criminal  
21 prosecutions, related to incidents occurring in or around the  
22 school bus; and

23 (n) Recording or listening to an audio transmission from a  
24 microphone placed by a person under the authority of a law  
25 enforcement agency inside a bait car surveillance vehicle while  
26 simultaneously capturing a photographic or video image.

1 (Source: P.A. 94-556, eff. 9-11-05; 95-258, eff. 1-1-08;  
2 95-352, eff. 8-23-07; 95-463, eff. 6-1-08; 95-876, eff.  
3 8-21-08.)

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
5 becoming law.