

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 SB1632

Introduced 2/20/2015, by Sen. Chapin Rose

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/17-8.3

was 720 ILCS 5/17-22

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that it is a Class A misdemeanor for a person to knowingly use a false academic degree, or an academic degree issued under false pretenses, for the purpose of either obtaining employment, obtaining admission to an institution of higher learning, obtaining admission to an advanced degree program at an institution of higher learning, or for the purpose of obtaining a promotion or higher compensation in employment (rather than knowingly use a false academic degree for the purpose of obtaining employment or admission to an institution of higher learning or admission to an advanced degree program at an institution of higher learning or for the purpose of obtaining a promotion or higher compensation in employment).

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

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 Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing Section 17-8.3 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/17-8.3) (was 720 ILCS 5/17-22)
- Sec. 17-8.3. False information on an application for employment with certain public or private agencies; use of false academic degree.
 - (a) It is unlawful for an applicant for employment with a public or private agency that provides State funded services to persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities to knowingly furnish false information regarding professional certification, licensing, criminal background, or employment history for the 5 years immediately preceding the date of application on an application for employment with the agency if the position of employment requires or provides opportunity for contact with persons with mental illness or developmental disabilities.
 - (b) It is unlawful for a person to knowingly use a false academic degree, or an academic degree issued under false pretenses, for the purpose of obtaining employment, obtaining or admission to an institution of higher learning, obtaining or

- 1 admission to an advanced degree program at an institution of
- 2 higher learning, or for the purpose of obtaining a promotion or
- 3 higher compensation in employment.
- 4 (c) Sentence. A violation of this Section is a Class A
- 5 misdemeanor.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11.)