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AN ACT in relation to criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by 5 changing Section 12-4 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/12-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 12-4)

7 Sec. 12-4. Aggravated Battery.

8 (a) A person who, in committing a battery, intentionally 9 or knowingly causes great bodily harm, or permanent 10 disability or disfigurement commits aggravated battery.

11 (b) In committing a battery, a person commits aggravated12 battery if he or she:

13 (1) Uses a deadly weapon other than by the14 discharge of a firearm;

15 (2) Is hooded, robed or masked, in such manner as16 to conceal his identity;

17 (3) Knows the individual harmed to be a teacher or 18 other person employed in any school and such teacher or 19 other employee is upon the grounds of a school or grounds 20 adjacent thereto, or is in any part of a building used 21 for school purposes;

(4) Knows the individual harmed to be a supervisor, director, instructor or other person employed in any park district and such supervisor, director, instructor or other employee is upon the grounds of the park or grounds adjacent thereto, or is in any part of a building used for park purposes;

(5) Knows the individual harmed to be a caseworker,
investigator, or other person employed by the State
Department of Public Aid, a County Department of Public
Aid, or the Department of Human Services (acting as

1 successor to the Illinois Department of Public Aid under 2 Department of Human Services Act) and such the caseworker, investigator, or other person is upon the 3 4 grounds of a public aid office or grounds adjacent thereto, or is in any part of a building used for public 5 aid purposes, or upon the grounds of a home of a public 6 7 aid applicant, recipient, or any other person being 8 interviewed or investigated in the employee's discharge 9 of his duties, or on grounds adjacent thereto, or is in any part of a building in which the applicant, recipient, 10 11 or other such person resides or is located;

(6) Knows the individual harmed to be a peace 12 13 officer, a community policing volunteer, a correctional institution employee, or a fireman while such officer, 14 15 volunteer, employee or fireman is engaged in the 16 execution of any official duties including arrest or attempted arrest, or to prevent the officer, volunteer, 17 employee or fireman from performing official duties, or 18 in retaliation for the officer, volunteer, employee or 19 fireman performing official duties, and the battery is 20 21 committed other than by the discharge of a firearm;

22 (7) Knows the individual harmed to be an emergency 23 medical technician ambulance, emergency medical technician - intermediate, emergency medical technician -24 paramedic, ambulance driver, other medical assistance, 25 first aid personnel, or hospital emergency-room personnel 26 engaged in the performance of any of his or her official 27 duties, or to prevent the emergency medical technician -28 ambulance, emergency medical technician - intermediate, 29 30 emergency medical technician - paramedic, ambulance driver, other medical assistance, first aid personnel, or 31 hospital emergency---room personnel from performing 32 official duties, or in retaliation for performing 33 34 official duties;

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(8) Is, or the person battered is, on or about a
 public way, public property or public place of
 accommodation or amusement;

(9) Knows the individual harmed to be the driver, 4 operator, employee or passenger of any transportation 5 facility or system engaged in the business of 6 7 transportation of the public for hire and the individual 8 assaulted is then performing in such capacity or then 9 using such public transportation as a passenger or using any area of any description designated by the 10 11 transportation facility or system as a vehicle boarding, departure, or transfer location; 12

13 (10) Knowingly and without legal justification and 14 by any means causes bodily harm to an individual of 60 15 years of age or older;

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(11) Knows the individual harmed is pregnant;

17 (12) Knows the individual harmed to be a judge whom 18 the person intended to harm as a result of the judge's 19 performance of his or her official duties as a judge;

20 (13) Knows the individual harmed to be an employee
21 of the Illinois Department of Children and Family
22 Services engaged in the performance of his authorized
23 duties as such employee;

24 (14) Knows the individual harmed to be a person who25 is physically handicapped; or

(15) Knowingly and without legal justification and
by any means causes bodily harm to a merchant who detains
the person for an alleged commission of retail theft
under Section 16A-5 of this Code. In this item (15),
"merchant" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section
16A-2.4 of this Code.

For the purpose of paragraph (14) of subsection (b) of this Section, a physically handicapped person is a person who suffers from a permanent and disabling physical

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characteristic, resulting from disease, injury, functional
 disorder or congenital condition.

3 (c) A person who administers to an individual or causes 4 him to take, without his consent or by threat or deception, 5 and for other than medical purposes, any intoxicating, 6 poisonous, stupefying, narcotic, anesthetic, or controlled 7 substance commits aggravated battery.

8 (d) A person who knowingly gives to another person any 9 food that contains any substance or object that is intended 10 to cause physical injury if eaten, commits aggravated 11 battery.

12 (d-3) (d-5) A person commits aggravated battery when he 13 or she knowingly and without lawful justification shines or 14 flashes a laser gunsight or other laser device that is 15 attached or affixed to a firearm, or used in concert with a 16 firearm, so that the laser beam strikes upon or against the 17 person of another.

18 (d-5) An inmate of a penal institution who causes or 19 attempts to cause a correctional employee of the penal 20 institution to come into contact with blood, seminal fluid, 21 urine, or feces, by throwing, tossing, or expelling that 22 fluid or material commits aggravated battery. For purposes 23 of this subsection (d-5), "correctional employee" means a 24 person who is employed by a penal institution.

25 (e) Sentence.

26 Aggravated battery is a Class 3 felony.

27 (Source: P.A. 90-115, eff. 1-1-98; 90-651, eff. 1-1-99; 28 90-735, eff. 8-11-98; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 91-488, eff. 29 1-1-00; 91-619, eff. 1-1-00; 91-672, eff. 1-1-00; revised 30 1-7-00.)

31 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon32 becoming law.

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