SENATE BILL No. 148

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-2-22-1; IC 35-31.5-2-187.5; IC 35-42-2.

Synopsis: Battery on a licensed athletic official. Increases the penalty for battery if it is committed against an individual licensed as a referee, an umpire, or an athletic official. Makes conforming technical corrections.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 5-2-22-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.161-2018, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 1. The following definitions apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Crime of child abuse" means:
    (A) neglect of a dependent (IC 35-46-1-4) if the dependent is a child and the offense is committed under:
        (i) IC 35-46-1-4(a)(1);
        (ii) IC 35-46-1-4(a)(2); or
        (iii) IC 35-46-1-4(a)(3);
    (B) child selling (IC 35-46-1-4(d));
    (C) a sex offense (as defined in IC 11-8-8-5.2) committed against a child; or
    (D) battery against a child under:
        (i) IC 35-42-2-1(e)(3); IC 35-42-2-1(f)(3) (battery on a child);
        (ii) IC 35-42-2-1(g)(5)(B) IC 35-42-2-1(h)(5)(B) (battery
causing bodily injury to a child); (iii) IC 35-42-2-1(k) (battery causing serious bodily injury to a child); or (iv) IC 35-42-2-1(l) (battery resulting in the death of a child).

(2) "Office" refers to the office of judicial administration created under IC 33-24-6-1.

(3) "Registry" means the child abuse registry established under section 2 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 35-31.5-2-187.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 187.5. "Licensed athletic official", for purposes of IC 35-42-2-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 35-42-2-1.

SECTION 3. IC 35-42-2-0.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.65-2016, SECTION 32, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 0.5. "Relative", for purposes of IC 35-42-2-1, has the meaning set forth in IC 35-42-2-1(b): section 1(c) of this chapter.

SECTION 4. IC 35-42-2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.80-2018, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section, "licensed athletic official" means an individual serving as:

(1) a referee;

(2) an umpire; or

(3) an official;

at an athletic event, if the individual has been licensed as a referee, an umpire, or an official by a national certification program.

(b) As used in this section, "public safety official" means:

(1) a law enforcement officer, including an alcoholic beverage enforcement officer;

(2) an employee of a penal facility or a juvenile detention facility (as defined in IC 31-9-2-71);

(3) an employee of the department of correction;

(4) a probation officer;

(5) a parole officer;

(6) a community corrections worker;

(7) a home detention officer;

(8) a department of child services employee;

(9) a firefighter;

(10) an emergency medical services provider;

(11) a judicial officer;

(12) a bailiff of any court; or
(13) a special deputy (as described in IC 36-8-10-10.6).

(b)(c) As used in this section, "relative" means an individual related by blood, half-blood, adoption, marriage, or remarriage, including:

(1) a spouse;
(2) a parent or stepparent;
(3) a child or stepchild;
(4) a grandchild or stepgrandchild;
(5) a grandparent or stepgrandparent;
(6) a brother, sister, stepbrother, or stepsister;
(7) a niece or nephew;
(8) an aunt or uncle;
(9) a daughter-in-law or son-in-law;
(10) a mother-in-law or father-in-law; or
(11) a first cousin.

(d)(e) Except as provided in subsections (d)(e) through (k), a person who knowingly or intentionally:

(1) touches another person in a rude, insolent, or angry manner;
or
(2) in a rude, insolent, or angry manner places any bodily fluid or waste on another person;
commits battery, a Class B misdemeanor.

(d)(2) The offense described in subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2) is a Class A misdemeanor if it:

(1) results in bodily injury to any other person; or
(2) is committed against a member of a foster family home (as defined in IC 35-31.5-2-139.3) by a person who is not a resident of the foster family home if the person who committed the offense is a relative of a person who lived in the foster family home at the time of the offense.

(e)(f) The offense described in subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2) is a Level 6 felony if one (1) or more of the following apply:

(1) The offense results in moderate bodily injury to any other person.
(2) The offense is committed against a public safety official or licensed athletic official while the official is engaged in the official's official duty.
(3) The offense is committed against a person less than fourteen years of age and is committed by a person at least eighteen years of age.
(4) The offense is committed against a person of any age who has a mental or physical disability and is committed by a person having the care of the person with the mental or physical
disability, whether the care is assumed voluntarily or because of
a legal obligation.

(5) The offense is committed against an endangered adult (as
defined in IC 12-10-3-2).

(6) The offense:
(A) is committed against a member of a foster family home (as
defined in IC 35-31.5-2-139.3) by a person who is not a
resident of the foster family home if the person who committed
the offense is a relative of a person who lived in the foster
family home at the time of the offense; and
(B) results in bodily injury to the member of the foster family.

(g)(h) The offense described in subsection (e)(2) is a Level
6 felony if the person knew or recklessly failed to know that the bodily
fluid or waste placed on another person was infected with hepatitis,
tuberculosis, or human immunodeficiency virus.

(e)(h) The offense described in subsection (e)(1) or (e)(2)
(d)(2) is a Level 5 felony if one (1) or more of the following apply:
(1) The offense results in serious bodily injury to another person.
(2) The offense is committed with a deadly weapon.
(3) The offense results in bodily injury to a pregnant woman if the
person knew of the pregnancy.
(4) The person has a previous conviction for a battery offense:
(A) included in this chapter against the same victim; or
(B) against the same victim in any other jurisdiction, including
a military court, in which the elements of the crime for which
the conviction was entered are substantially similar to the
elements of a battery offense included in this chapter.
(5) The offense results in bodily injury to one (1) or more of the
following:
(A) A public safety official while the official is engaged in the
official's official duties.
(B) A person less than fourteen (14) years of age if the offense
is committed by a person at least eighteen (18) years of age.
(C) A person who has a mental or physical disability if the
offense is committed by an individual having care of the
person with the disability, regardless of whether the care is
assumed voluntarily or because of a legal obligation.
(D) An endangered adult (as defined in IC 12-10-3-2).

(i) (h) The offense described in subsection (e)(2) is a Level
5 felony if:
(1) the person knew or recklessly failed to know that the bodily
fluid or waste placed on another person was infected with
hepatitis, tuberculosis, or human immunodeficiency virus; and

(2) the person placed the bodily fluid or waste on a public safety official.

(j) The offense described in subsection (d)(1) or (d)(2) is a Level 4 felony if it results in serious bodily injury to an endangered adult (as defined in IC 12-10-3-2).

(k) The offense described in subsection (d)(1) or (d)(2) is a Level 3 felony if it results in serious bodily injury to a person less than fourteen (14) years of age if the offense is committed by a person at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(l) The offense described in subsection (d)(1) or (d)(2) is a Level 2 felony if it results in the death of one (1) or more of the following:

(1) A person less than fourteen (14) years of age if the offense is committed by a person at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(2) An endangered adult (as defined in IC 12-10-3-2).