

HOUSE BILL No. 1328

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-45-2-6.

Synopsis: Interference with newspaper distribution. Provides that a person who exerts unauthorized control over a newspaper with the intent to interfere with the distribution of the newspaper commits interference with newspaper distribution, a Class C misdemeanor.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 14, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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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:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 35-45-2-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "exert control over a**
- 4 **newspaper" means to obtain, take, carry, lead away, conceal,**
- 5 **abandon, sell, convey, encumber, or possess a newspaper, or to**
- 6 **secure, transfer, or extend a right to a newspaper.**
- 7 **(b) Under this section, a person's control over a newspaper of**
- 8 **another person is "unauthorized" if it is exerted:**
- 9 **(1) without the other person's consent; or**
- 10 **(2) in a manner or to an extent other than that to which the**
- 11 **other person has consented.**
- 12 **(c) As used in this section, "newspaper" includes a newspaper**
- 13 **that is distributed on a complimentary or compensatory basis.**
- 14 **(d) A person who knowingly or intentionally exerts**
- 15 **unauthorized control over a newspaper with the intent to interfere**
- 16 **with the distribution of the newspaper commits interference with**
- 17 **newspaper distribution, a Class C misdemeanor.**



1 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] **IC 35-45-2-6, as added**
2 **by this act, applies only to offenses committed after June 30, 2003.**

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