

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1487

AN ACT

To repeal section 565.110, RSMo, and to enact  
in lieu thereof two new sections relating to  
kidnapping, with penalty provisions and an  
emergency clause.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI,  
AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. Section 565.110, RSMo, is repealed and two new  
sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 565.110  
and 565.115, to read as follows:

565.110. 1. A person commits the crime of kidnapping if he  
or she unlawfully removes another without his or her consent from  
the place where he or she is found or unlawfully confines another  
without his or her consent for a substantial period, for the  
purpose of

(1) Holding that person for ransom or reward, or for any  
other act to be performed or not performed for the return or  
release of that person; or

(2) Using the person as a shield or as a hostage; or

(3) Interfering with the performance of any governmental or  
political function; or

(4) Facilitating the commission of any felony or flight

1       thereafter; or

2               (5)   Inflicting physical injury on or terrorizing the victim  
3       or another.

4               2.   Kidnapping is a class A felony unless committed under  
5       subdivision (4) or (5) of subsection 1 in which cases it is a  
6       class B felony.

7               565.115. 1. A person commits the crime of child kidnapping  
8       if such person is not a relative within the third degree and such  
9       person:

10              (1) Unlawfully removes a child under the age of fourteen  
11       without the consent of such child's parent or guardian from the  
12       place where such child is found; or

13              (2) Unlawfully confines a child under the age of fourteen  
14       without the consent of such child's parent or guardian.

15              2. Child kidnapping is a class A felony.

16              Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to protect  
17       the children of this state from kidnapping, section A of this act  
18       is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
19       health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be  
20       an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and  
21       section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its  
22       passage and approval.