

HB 83 -- OFFENSES RELATED TO CHILD CUSTODY

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Under current law, the offense of interference with custody is a class A misdemeanor unless the person taken or enticed away from legal custody is removed from the state, in which case it is a class E felony. This bill increases the penalties from a class A misdemeanor to a class E felony and from a class E felony to a class D felony.

Under current law, the offense of parental kidnapping is a class E felony, unless it is committed by detaining or concealing the whereabouts of the child for between 60 and 119 days, in which case it is a class D felony. This bill changes the penalties from a class E felony to a class D felony and from a class D felony to a class C felony.