

HB 1066 -- ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD

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This bill adds to the definition of "dangerous felony" the offense of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree. A person currently commits the offense of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree if the person unlawfully manufactures or attempts to manufacture, compounds, possesses, produces, prepares, sells, transports, tests, or analyzes certain controlled substances. The bill adds fentanyl and carfentanil to the list. Finally, the bill enhances the penalty for the offense of endangering the welfare of a child when the offense involves fentanyl or carfentanil or any analogue thereof to carry a minimum term of imprisonment of five years. A person who commits a violation under these provisions is: prohibited from receiving a suspended imposition or execution of sentence, prohibited from paying a fine in lieu of serving a term of imprisonment, and is excluded from eligibility for parole or conditional release until he or she has served at least five years' imprisonment.

This bill is similar to HB 2411 (2024).