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New Bill Targets Mob Activity

CHICAGO – State Representative Sara Feigenholtz (D-Chicago) is co-sponsoring legislation that aims to crack down on criminals engaged in mob-related activity.

House Bill 3792 expands on the state's definition of mob activity to include the threat of force and violence that disturbs the public peace with two or more persons acting together and without authority of the law. The bill also sets and increases penalties for crimes relating to mob actions.

“The recent acts of violent criminal activity in our community buttress the need for tough public safety laws,” said Feigenholtz. “This bill helps us fight back against these criminals and ensures that they are appropriately held accountable for their actions.”

Individuals engaged in violent mob activity that causes injury or harm would be faced with a Class 2 felony, resulting in a possible three to seven years in prison and up to a \$25,000 fine. Individuals assembling with the intent to commit a crime would be a Class A misdemeanor (a possible one year in prison, two years probation and up to a \$2,500 fine) while assembling with the intent to impose violence on others would be a Class C misdemeanor (a possible 30 days in prison, two years probation and \$1,500 fine).

“It is my hope that the legislature will recognize the urgent need for this legislation to deter criminals from striking again in our neighborhoods,” Feigenholtz said. “Protecting our communities and keeping families, residents and visitors safe should be a top priority for lawmakers.”

Currently in the House Rules Committee, House Bill 3792 will be considered when the General Assembly reconvenes.

For more information or to request a Neighborhood Watch sign for your home or business, contact Feigenholtz's constituent services office at [\(773\) 296-4141](tel:7732964141) or sara@staterepsara.com.

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