

Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE enacting section 5560., <u>Jackson</u> <u>County</u> <u>Code</u>, 1984, relating to child endangerment.

ORDINANCE # 3181, September 4, 2001

INTRODUCED BY Terry Young, County Legislator

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, as follows:

Section A. <u>Enacting Clause</u>. Section 5560., <u>Jackson County Code</u>, 1984, is hereby enacted, to read as follows:

5560. Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

No person shall endanger the welfare of a child. A person endangers the welfare of a child when that person:

5560.1 <u>Negligently Creates Risk to Life, Body, or Health</u>. With criminal negligence, as defined in § 562.016.5, RSMo, acts in a manner that creates a risk to the life, body, or health of a child less than 17 years old;

5560.2 <u>Knowingly Allows Child to Come Under Jurisdiction of Family Court</u>. Knowingly, as defined in § 562.016.3, RSMo, encourages, aids, or causes a child less than 17 years old to engage in any conduct which causes or tends to cause the child to come under this jurisdiction of the family court pursuant to the provisions of § 211.031.1(2)(d) or § 211.031.1(3), RSMo;

5560.3 Recklessly Failing to Care For or Control Child.

Being a parent, guardian, or other person legally charged with the care or custody of a child less than 17 years old, recklessly, as defined in § 567.016.4, RSMo, fails or refuses to exercise reasonable diligence in the care or control of such child to prevent the child from coming under the jurisdiction of the family court pursuant the provisions of § 211.031.1(1)(c), § 211.031.1(2)(d), or § 211.031.1(3), RSMo; or

5560.4 Knowingly Allows Child to Enter Drug House.

Knowingly, as defined in § 562.016.3, RSMo, encourages, aids, or causes a child less than 17 years old to enter into any room, building, or other structure which is a public nuisance as defined in § 195.130.1, RSMo.

5560.5 <u>Recognized Nonmedical Remedial Treatment Not To Constitute</u> <u>Endangerment</u>.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to mean that the welfare of a child is endangered for the sole reason that the child is being provided nonmedical remedial treatment recognized and permitted under the laws of the state of Missouri.

Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached Ordinance, Ordinance # 3181 of September 4, 2001 was duly passed on ______ September 10_____, 2001 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____8 _____ Nays ____0 _____

Abstaining _____0 ____ Absents ____1____

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for her signature.

Date

Mary Jo Brogoto, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance #3181.

Date

Katheryn J. Shields, County Executive