

HB 2287 -- Sexual Offenders

Sponsor: Harris (23)

This bill prohibits certain sexual offenders from residing within 1,000 feet of a public city or municipal park. Any offender violating this provision will be guilty of a class D felony for a first offense and a class B felony for each subsequent offense. If the offender has already established a residence and a public city or municipal park is subsequently built or placed within 1,000 feet of the offender's residence, the offender must notify the sheriff in the county where the park is located within one week of the park opening. Any offender violating this provision will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a class D felony for each subsequent offense.

Certain sexual offenders are prohibited from being present or loitering within 500 feet of a public city or municipal park unless the offender is a parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a child and has permission to be present from the city or municipal official responsible for the park. Any offender violating this provision will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.