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Overview

Establishes manufacturing a controlled substance in the presence of a child as criminal child endangerment.

Section

- 1 Endangerment by Manufacturing Controlled Substances.** Creates the felony level offense of manufacturing a controlled substance in the presence of a child. The defendant need not be the child's parent, legal guardian or caretaker. Establishes a five year sentence or a \$10,000 fine, or both, for violation.
- 2 Multiple Sentences.** Permits a court to impose multiple sentences in cases where the defendant is charged with multiple offenses and one of the offenses is criminal neglect or endangerment, even if the neglect or endangerment was part of a more serious offense.
- 3 Consecutive Sentences.** Permits a court to impose consecutive sentences in cases where a defendant is convicted of multiple crimes, one of which is child neglect or endangerment.
- 4 Effective Date.** August 1, 2003.