



NEW RICHMOND REPUBLIC  
**CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S COUNCILS**

BE IT ENACTED by the elected delegates of the people's councils of the New Richmond Republic in Congress assembled during the ordinary session of the third convocation thereof...

**AN ACT**

*regarding the classification of various criminal offenses and their respective punishments*

1. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of criminal homicide if they purposely, knowingly, recklessly, or negligently cause the death of another human being; unless the act was demonstrably commissioned in the act of defending themselves or another from grievous harm.
  - a) Criminal homicide is punishable with permanent exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, permanent loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and title of honor, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of criminal homicide must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.
2. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of rape if they compel another individual to submit to sexual intercourse by force or threat of imminent death, serious bodily injury, or extreme pain; or, by impairing the victim's power to appraise or control their conduct by administering substances or other means of preventing resistance; or, if the victim is unconscious.
  - a) Rape is punishable with permanent exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, permanent loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and title of honor, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of rape must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.
3. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of pedophilic rape if they are at least eighteen years of age and they engage in sexual intercourse or any other sexual contact – including groping, voyeurism, or viewing pornography, among others – with an individual who is under the age of eighteen and is more than two years younger than the respective adult.
  - a) Pedophilic rape is punishable with permanent exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, permanent loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and title of honor, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of pedophilic rape must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.

4. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of propagation of pedophilia if they they possess, manufacture, or distribute pornographic or otherwise sexually explicit content of children under the age of eighteen years, real or simulated; or, if they speak in defense of pedophilia in public or in private, in person or through writing or online communications.
  - a) Propagating pedophilia is punishable with permanent exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, permanent loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and title of honor, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of propagating pedophilia must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.
5. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of sexual misconduct if they discuss sexually suggestive and/or explicit topics in the presence of minors, including in online discourse; or if, for the purpose of arousal or gratifying sexual desire, they expose their genitals or other private parts of the body under circumstances in which they know their conduct is likely to cause affront or alarm.
  - a) Sexual misconduct is punishable with a period of no less than two years of exile, up to and including permanent exile, from the Republic; permanent loss of citizenship, permanent loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and title of honor, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of sexual misconduct must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.
6. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of assault if they purposely, knowingly, recklessly, or negligently cause or attempt to cause bodily injury to another, or if they attempt by menace or fear to cause another individual to fear serious bodily injury; unless the act was demonstrably commissioned in the act of defending themselves or another from grievous harm.
  - a) Assault is punishable with a period of at least one year of, and up to permanent, exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than one year and no more than ten years, and any other means necessary.
  - b) Individuals who are suspected of commissioning the criminal offense of assault must be referred to the law enforcement authorities and/or the courts of the United States immediately upon the charge being made within the New Richmonder system of law.
7. An individual is guilty of the counter-revolutionary criminal offense of propagating bigotry, chauvinism, and/or reaction if, in accordance with the provisions of the Basic Law, they openly advocate for bigotry against any protected classification; or, they openly advocate for chauvinistic and reactionary ideas including fascism and its many successors.
  - a) Propagating bigotry, chauvinism, and/or reaction is punishable with a period of no less than one year and no more than five years of exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, and loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than one year and no more than ten years, and political reeducation at the discretion of the revolutionary education authorities of the Blair Mountain League.
8. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of harassment if, with purpose to harass another, they make a call without purpose of legitimate communication; or insult, taunt, or challenge

another in a manner likely to provoke violent or disorderly response; or make repeated communications anonymously or at extremely inconvenient hours, or in offensively coarse language; or engages in any other course of alarming conduct serving no legitimate purpose of the actor.

- a) Harassment is punishable with a period of no less than one year and no more than five years of exile from the Republic, permanent loss of citizenship, and loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than one year and no more than ten years.
9. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of criminal coercion if, with purpose unlawfully to restrict another's freedom of action to his detriment, they threaten to commit any criminal offense, to accuse anyone of a criminal offense, to expose any secret tending to subject any person to hatred, contempt, or ridicule, or to impair their reputation; or to take or withhold action as a state officer, or to cause an official to take or withhold action.
    - a) Criminal coercion is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor, for a period of no less than one year and no more than two years.
  10. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of conspiracy with another person or persons to commit a crime if with the purpose of promoting or facilitating its commission they agree with such other person or persons that they or one or more of them will engage in conduct that constitutes such crime or an attempt or solicitation to commit such crime; or, if they to aid such other person or persons in the planning or commission of such crime or of an attempt or solicitation to commit such crime.
    - a) Conspiracy is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than six months and no more than one year.
  11. An individual is guilty the criminal offense of forgery if, with purpose to defraud or injure anyone, or with knowledge that they are facilitating a fraud or injury to be perpetrated by anyone, the perpetrator alters any writing of another without authority to do so; or makes, completes, executes, authenticates, issues, or transfers any writing so that it purports to be the act of another who did not authorize that act, or to have been executed at a time or place or in a numbered sequence other than was in fact the case, or to be a copy of an original when no such original existed; or utters any writing which he knows to be forged in a manner specified in paragraphs previously.
    - a) Forgery is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than six months and no more than one year.
  12. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of bribery if they give, offer, or promise an advantage of a financial or other nature to another individual in exchange for improperly performing functions of a public nature, any activity connected with a state workers' cooperative, business, trade or profession; any activity performed in the course of a person's employment, or any activity performed by or on behalf of a body of persons whether corporate or unincorporated, with the condition that the person performing the function or activity would be expected to be performing it in good faith or with impartiality, or that an element of trust is attached to that person's role.
    - a) Bribery is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than six months and no more than one year.

13. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of accepting a bribe if they request, accept, or agree to accept a bribe as defined in the prior article.
  - a) Accepting a bribe is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than six months and no more than one year.
14. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of disorderly conduct if, with purpose to cause inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm, or recklessly creating a risk thereof, they engage in fighting or threatening, or in violent or tumultuous behavior; or make unreasonable noise or offensively coarse utterance, gesture or display, or addresses abusive language to any person present; or create a hazardous or physically offensive condition by any act which serves no legitimate purpose of the actor.
  - a) Disorderly conduct is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of no less than three months and no more than one year.
15. An individual is guilty of the criminal offense of tax evasion if, with purpose to avoid paying a tax they are required to pay to the Ministry of Economic Development and Fiscal Affairs, they decline to pay any tax at all or pay only part of what they owe with no intention of paying the rest at a later date, insofar as such taxation does not conflict with an individual's right to freedom from paying a tax should such a payment excessively harm their financial or personal wellbeing in accordance with the Basic Law.
  - a) Tax evasion is punishable with the loss of the right to hold any political office, state award, and/or title of honor for a period of at least three months, and thereafter until such a time as they pay their back tax in full. Individuals may not be made to pay more than fifty United States dollars in back taxes in order to have their political and honorary rights reinstated following the completion of the three month period.
16. Criminals punished for any counter-revolutionary criminal offense under the provisions of this Act or the Counter-revolutionary Crimes Act of 2021 are subject to political reeducation at the discretion of the revolutionary education authorities of the Blair Mountain League.

*Enacted by the Congress of People's Councils and thereafter promulgated by the People's Commissioner of the Republic on this 10th day of September in the year two-thousand and twenty-two of the Common Era, and in the year of the Revolution the second.*



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