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HOUSE BILLS NOS. 1074 & 1129

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Pensions and General Laws, April 29, 2004, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 574, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the burning of crosses, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 574, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 574.065, to read as follows:

574.065. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons with the intent to intimidate any person or group of persons, to burn, or cause to be burned, a cross.

2. For the purpose of this section, a person acts with the intent to intimidate when he or she intentionally places or attempts to place another person in fear of physical injury or fear of damage to property.

3. Any person who with the intent to intimidate any person or group of persons, to burn, or cause to be burned, a cross shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a class D felony for a second subsequent offense.

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