

HB 2651 -- LAW ENFORCEMENT TACTICAL ZONES

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This bill specifies that any law enforcement agency may declare a situation to be a tactical law enforcement operation, defined in the bill, and may designate certain boundaries for the purpose of prohibitions specified in the bill. The bill further specifies that any person who is aware that the law enforcement agency has declared a situation to be a tactical law enforcement operation shall not make a live video broadcast displaying events within the boundary established by the law enforcement agency. Any person who knowingly violates these provisions is strictly liable for any injury, death, or other damage that may arise out of the violation. Any person who complies with the provisions of the bill is immune from civil liability for any injury, death, or other damage that may arise out of the live video broadcasts or other reporting related to the tactical operation.

Penalties may be imposed against the person making the live broadcast as well as against any employee of a media outlet responsible for directing or authorizing the broadcast. A person who violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$10,000.