HB 288 -- UNLAWFUL TRAFFIC INTERFERENCE

SPONSOR: Schroer

This bill establishes the offense of unlawful traffic interference. A person commits the offense of unlawful traffic interference if, with intention to impede vehicular traffic, a person walks, stands, sits, lies, or places an object in such a manner as to block passage by a vehicle on any public street, highway, or interstate highway.

The offense of unlawful traffic interference on a public street or highway is a class A misdemeanor for the first violation and a class E felony for any subsequent violation. The offense of unlawful traffic interference committed on an interstate highway is a class E felony. For the first violation, the court shall grant a suspended imposition of sentence and impose a term of supervised probation for five years, 100 hours of community service, and a fine not to exceed \$750.

Any person who commits the offense of unlawful traffic interference on any public street, highway, or interstate highway while acting as part of an unlawful assembly shall be guilty of a class D felony. For the first violation, the court shall grant a suspended imposition of sentence and impose a term of supervised probation for five years, 100 hours of community service, and a fine not to exceed \$1000.

This bill is similar to HB 1259 (2018).