

HB 2896 -- TRESPASS IN THE FIRST DEGREE

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This bill amends the offense of trespass in the first degree to include when a person knowingly or intentionally enters and refuses to leave the vacant real property or vacant structure of another after having been prohibited from entering or refuses to leave after having been asked to leave the real property or structure by a law enforcement officer. Trespass in the first degree under these provisions is a class E felony. "Vacant real property" and "vacant structure" are defined in the bill.

A law enforcement officer will not be held liable for acts or omissions made in good faith under this bill. Good faith will be determined by the fact finder.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 1712 (2022).