

HB 1297 -- IMPEDING, THREATENING, OR HARASSING FIRST RESPONDERS

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This bill creates the offense of impeding, threatening, or harassing a first responder, which a person commits if a person, after receiving an oral warning from an individual the person knows or reasonably should know is a first responder engaged in the performance of his or her duties as a first responder not to approach and the person willfully violates the warning and approaches or remains within 25 feet of the first responder with the intent to impede or interfere with the first responder performing his or her duties, threaten the first responder, or harass the first responder. The offense is a class D misdemeanor.