



HOUSE BILL 98: Crim. Offense/Vandalize Fire & EMS Equipment.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 98 would make it a criminal offense to injure, destroy, remove, vandalize, tamper, or interfere with machinery, equipment, or vehicles with the intent to temporarily or permanently prevent their useful operation by fire department, North Carolina Forest Service, and emergency medical service personnel.*

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 14-160, Willful and wanton injury to personal property, currently makes it unlawful to willfully and wantonly injure the personal property of another. Conviction of this offense is a Class 2 misdemeanor, or a Class 1 misdemeanor if the damage is in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 98 would make it unlawful to injure, destroy, remove, vandalize, tamper, or interfere with machinery, equipment, or vehicles with the intent to temporarily or permanently prevent their useful operation by fire department, North Carolina Forest Service, and emergency medical service personnel.

A person convicted of that offense would be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective December 1, 2017, and would apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

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