



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

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 98 would create the specific criminal offense of intentionally damaging equipment used for fire-fighting or emergency medical services.*

CURRENT LAW: It is unlawful to willfully and wantonly injure the personal property of another pursuant to G.S. 14-160. This offense is a Class 2 misdemeanor unless the damage is in excess of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) making it a Class 1 misdemeanor.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 98 would make it unlawful to intentionally 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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