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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VIOLENCE AGAINST EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
PERSONNEL.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 707-711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

3           "(1) A person commits the offense of assault in the second  
4 degree if:

5           (a) The person intentionally or knowingly causes  
6           substantial bodily injury to another;

7           (b) The person recklessly causes serious or substantial  
8           bodily injury to another [~~person~~];

9           (c) The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily  
10           injury to a correctional worker, as defined in section  
11           710-1031(2), who is engaged in the performance of duty  
12           or who is within a correctional facility;

13           (d) The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily  
14           injury to another [~~person~~] with a dangerous  
15           instrument; [~~or~~]

16           (e) The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily  
17           injury to an educational worker who is engaged in the



1 performance of duty or who is within an educational  
2 facility. For the purposes of this paragraph,  
3 "educational worker" means: any administrator,  
4 specialist, counselor, teacher, or employee of the  
5 department of education [+]or[+] an employee of a  
6 charter school; a person who is a volunteer, as  
7 defined by section 90-1, in a school program,  
8 activity, or function that is established, sanctioned,  
9 or approved by the department of education; or a  
10 person hired by the department of education on a  
11 contractual basis and engaged in carrying out an  
12 educational function[-]; or

13 (f) The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily  
14 injury to any emergency medical services personnel who  
15 is engaged in the performance of duty. For the  
16 purposes of this subsection, "emergency medical  
17 services personnel" shall have the same meaning as in  
18 section 321-222."

19 SECTION 2. Section 707-716, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:



1           "(1) A person commits the offense of terroristic  
2 threatening in the first degree if the person commits  
3 terroristic threatening:

4           (a) By threatening another person on more than one  
5 occasion for the same or a similar purpose;

6           (b) By threats made in a common scheme against different  
7 persons;

8           (c) Against a public servant arising out of the  
9 performance of the public servant's official duties.  
10 For the purposes of this paragraph, "public servant"  
11 includes but is not limited to an educational worker.  
12 "Educational worker" has the same meaning as defined  
13 in section 707-711; [~~or~~]

14           (d) Against any emergency medical services personnel, as  
15 defined in section 321-222; or

16 [~~(d)~~] (e) With the use of a dangerous instrument."

17           SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
18 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
19 begun, before its effective date.

20           SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

22           SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2112.



**Report Title:**

Crimes; Violence Against Emergency Medical Services Personnel

**Description:**

Adds violence or the threat of violence against emergency medical services personnel to the offenses of assault in the second degree and terroristic threatening in the first degree.  
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