

Floor Amendment to SB 667-FN

1 Amend RSA 631:1, I(e) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 *(e) Knowingly causes serious bodily injury to any emergency room personnel*
4 *acting in the line of duty. For purposes of this subparagraph, "emergency room personnel"*
5 *means a person in a hospital emergency department who, in the course and scope of their*
6 *employment or as a volunteer, provides services or medical care, or who assists in the*
7 *providing of services or medical care, for the benefit of the general public, including, but*
8 *not limited to, any health care professional, emergency department clerk, emergency*
9 *department technician, student, and emergency department volunteer working in the*
10 *hospital emergency department. This section shall not apply to a person being*
11 *involuntarily held due to a mental health crisis and who has a mental health diagnosis; a*
12 *person who has a dementia diagnosis; or a person who has a disability such as an*
13 *intellectual or developmental disability that impacts the person's ability to effectively*
14 *communicate.*

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16 Amend RSA 631:2, I(g) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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18 *(g) Knowingly causes bodily injury to any emergency room personnel acting in*
19 *the line of duty. For purposes of this subparagraph, "emergency room personnel" means a*
20 *person in a hospital emergency department who, in the course and scope of their*
21 *employment or as a volunteer, provides services or medical care, or who assists in the*
22 *providing of services or medical care, for the benefit of the general public, including, but*
23 *not limited to, any health care professional, emergency department clerk, emergency*
24 *department technician, student, and emergency department volunteer working in the*
25 *hospital emergency department. This section shall not apply to a person being*
26 *involuntarily held due to a mental health crisis and who has a mental health diagnosis; a*
27 *person who has a dementia diagnosis; or a person who has a disability such as an*
28 *intellectual or developmental disability that impacts the person's ability to effectively*
29 *communicate.*

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes felony-level offenses for the assault of emergency room personnel, subject to certain exceptions.