
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to
Original House Bill No. 68 by Representative Schlegel

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 11, after "ceremony" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 12 in
3 its entirety and insert the following:

4 "in a church, synagogue, mosque, or other similar place of worship that is eligible
5 for qualification as a tax-exempt organization under 26 U.S.C. 501 by any of the
6 following:

7 (a) Violent, tumultuous, or threatening behavior directed at any person
8 lawfully attending, leading, or participating in the service.

9 (b) Unreasonably loud or abusive language or noise such that the service is
10 materially disrupted.

11 (c) Interference with the conduct of the service by physical obstruction,
12 intimidation, or threat of force toward clergy, worship leaders, or attendees."
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14 AMENDMENT NO. 2

15 On page 1, at the beginning of line 15, change "(3) Whoever" to "(3)(a) Except as provided
16 in Subparagraph (b), (c), or (d) of this Paragraph, whoever"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 3

18 On page 1, line 17, after the period "." and before "days" change "Fifteen" to "Thirty"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 4

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21 On page 1, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

22 "(b) Whoever commits the crime of simple battery during the commission
23 of disturbing the peace as provided in Paragraph (A)(9) of this Section shall be
24 imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than two years.

25 (c) Whoever commits the crime of simple criminal damage to property
26 during the commission of disturbing the peace as provided in Paragraph (A)(9) of
27 this Section shall be imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than two
28 years.

29 (d) Whoever commits the crime of disturbing the peace as provided in
30 Paragraph (A)(9) of this Section while armed with a dangerous weapon shall be
31 imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than five years."