



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB4142

Introduced 10/15/2025, by Rep. Jeff Keicher and Travis Weaver

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/31-1.1 new

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that a peace officer who reasonably believes that a person's presence within 14 feet of the peace officer will interfere with the performance of the peace officer's legal duties may warn the person not to approach or to remain within 14 feet of the peace officer. Provides that it is unlawful for a person, after receiving a warning not to approach from a peace officer who is engaged in the lawful performance of a legal duty, to knowingly or intentionally violate the warning and approach or remain within 14 feet of the peace officer with the intent to: (1) interrupt, disrupt, hinder, impede, or interfere with the peace officer's ability to perform the peace officer's duty; (2) threaten the peace officer with physical harm; or (3) harass the peace officer by interfering with the peace officer performing the peace officer's duty. Provides that a violation is a Class A misdemeanor. Defines "harass".

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by adding
5 Section 31-1.1 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/31-1.1 new)

7 Sec. 31-1.1. Approaching a peace officer with intent to
8 impede, threaten, or harass after a warning.

9 (a) In this Section, "harass" means to engage in a course
10 of conduct directed at a peace officer which causes
11 substantial emotional distress in that peace officer.

12 (b) A peace officer who reasonably believes that a
13 person's presence within 14 feet of the peace officer will
14 interfere with the performance of the peace officer's legal
15 duties may warn the person not to approach or to remain within
16 14 feet of the peace officer.

17 (c) It is unlawful for a person, after receiving a warning
18 not to approach from a peace officer who is engaged in the
19 lawful performance of a legal duty, to knowingly or
20 intentionally violate the warning and approach or remain
21 within 14 feet of the peace officer with the intent to:

22 (1) interrupt, disrupt, hinder, impede, or interfere
23 with the peace officer's ability to perform the peace

1 officer's duty;

2 (2) threaten the peace officer with physical harm; or

3 (3) harass the peace officer by interfering with the
4 peace officer performing the peace officer's duty.

5 (d) Sentence. A person who violates this Section commits a
6 Class A misdemeanor.