

1.1 **Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was**
1.2 **referred**

1.3 **S.F. No. 2212:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; making it a crime to obstruct
1.4 certain first responders by approaching or remaining too closely after being warned; amending
1.5 Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.50, subdivision 1.

1.6 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

1.7 Page 1, after line 5, insert:

1.8 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.2231, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.9 Subd. 2. **Firefighters and emergency medical personnel.** (a) Except as provided in
1.10 paragraph (b), whoever physically assaults any of the following persons and inflicts
1.11 demonstrable bodily harm is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for
1.12 not more than two years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$4,000, or both gross
1.13 misdemeanor:

1.14 (1) either:

1.15 (i) a member of a municipal or volunteer fire department in the performance of the
1.16 member's duties; or

1.17 (ii) a member of an emergency medical services personnel unit in the performance of
1.18 the member's duties; or

1.19 (2) a physician, nurse, or other person providing health care services in a hospital
1.20 emergency department.

1.21 (b) Whoever physically assaults a person described in paragraph (a), clause (1) or (2),
1.22 is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than three years
1.23 or to payment of a fine of not more than \$6,000, or both, if the assault inflicts demonstrable
1.24 bodily harm.

1.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025, and applies to crimes
1.26 committed on or after that date."

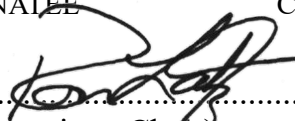
1.27 Renumber the sections in sequence

1.28 Amend the title as follows:

1.29 Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "increasing the criminal penalty for assaulting
1.30 a firefighter, EMS personnel, or certain health care providers;"

1.31 And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

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(Committee Chair)

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March 28, 2025.....
(Date of Committee recommendation)