

# HB 487 -- Assault of an Employee of a Mass Transit System

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This bill creates the crimes of assault of an employee of a mass transit system in the first, second, and third degree. A person commits the crime in the first degree, a class B felony, if the person attempts to kill or knowing causes or attempts to cause serious physical injury to an employee of a mass transit system while in the scope of his or her duties.

A person commits the crime in the second degree if the person knowingly causes or attempts to cause physical injury; recklessly causes serious physical injury; operates a motor vehicle with criminal negligence to cause physical injury while in an intoxicated condition or under the influence of controlled substances or drugs; acts with criminal negligence to cause physical injury by means of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument; purposely or recklessly places an employee of a mass transit system in apprehension of immediate serious physical injury; or acts with negligence to create a substantial risk of death or serious injury to an employee of a mass transit system while in the scope of his or her duties. The crime is a class C felony or a class B felony depending on the circumstances of the crime.

A person commits the crime in the third degree, a class B misdemeanor, if a person recklessly causes physical injury to an employee of a mass transit system, purposely places an employee of a mass transit system in apprehension of immediate physical injury, or knowingly causes or attempts to cause physical contact with an employee of a mass transit system without the employee's consent while in the scope of his or her duties.