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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A bill for an act

relating to public safety; creating the crime of assaulting first responders during a

H. F. No. 3740

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1.3 1.4	protest, demonstration, rally, or march; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 609.2231, subdivision 2.
1.5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.6	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 609.2231, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
1.7	Subd. 2. Firefighters and emergency medical personnel. (a) Whoever assaults any of
1.8	the following persons and inflicts demonstrable bodily harm is guilty of a felony and may
1.9	be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than two years or to payment of a fine of not
1.10	more than \$4,000, or both:
1.11 1.12	(1) a member of a municipal or volunteer fire department or emergency medical services personnel unit in the performance of the member's duties; or
1.13	(2) a physician, nurse, or other person providing health care services in a hospital
1.14	emergency department.
1.15 1.16	(b) Whoever assaults a member of a municipal or volunteer fire department or emergency medical services personnel unit during a protest, demonstration, rally, or march is guilty of
1.17	a gross misdemeanor.
1.18	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2018, and applies to violations

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committed on or after that date.