

1 H.326

2 Introduced by Representatives Savage of Swanton, Gamache of Swanton,  
3 Graham of Williamstown, Lewis of Berlin, Martel of  
4 Waterford, and Smith of New Haven

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Crimes; aggravated murder; firefighters and emergency medical  
8 personnel

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to expand the  
10 aggravated murder statute to include the killing of a firefighter or an  
11 emergency medical provider.

12 An act relating to aggravated murder for killing a firefighter or an  
13 emergency medical provider

14 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

15 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 2311 is amended to read:

16 § 2311. AGGRAVATED MURDER DEFINED

17 (a) A person is guilty of aggravated murder if he or she commits a first or  
18 second degree murder, as defined in section 2301 of this title, and at the time  
19 of his or her actions, one or more of the following circumstances was in fact  
20 present:

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(7) The victim of the murder was known by the person to be a

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firefighter, a member of emergency medical personnel as defined in 24 V.S.A.

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§ 2651(6), a person employed in any capacity in or about a correctional

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facility, or a law enforcement officer, and was performing his or her official

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duties.

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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

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This act shall take effect on passage.