

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1360

By: Cooksey, Sullivan, Faught,
Roan and Martin (Steve) of
the House

and

Sparks, Gumm and Leftwich
of the Senate

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
21 O.S. 2001, Section 650.4, which relates to assault
and battery upon emergency medical care providers;
increasing penalty; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2001, Section 650.4, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 650.4 A. Every person who, without justifiable or
excusable cause and with intent to do bodily harm, commits any
assault, battery or assault and battery upon the person of an
emergency medical care provider who is performing medical care
duties, upon conviction, is guilty of a ~~misdemeanor~~ felony
punishable by imprisonment in the county jail custody of the
Department of Corrections for a term not exceeding ~~one (1) year~~ two
(2) years, or by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars
(\$1,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment.

B. As used in this section, "emergency medical care provider"
means doctors, residents, interns, nurses, nurses' aides, ambulance
attendants and operators, paramedics, emergency medical technicians,
and members of a hospital security force.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of May, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 20th day of May, 2009.

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