

HOUSE BILL No. 3004

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning crimes and punishment; relating to battery against a law enforcement officer; amending K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 21-3413 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 21-3413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21-3413. Battery against a law enforcement officer is a battery, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3412 and amendments thereto:

- (a) (1) Committed against a uniformed or properly identified state, county or city law enforcement officer other than a state correctional officer or employee, a tribal law enforcement officer, a city or county correctional officer or employee, a juvenile correctional facility officer or employee or a juvenile detention facility officer or employee, while such officer is engaged in the performance of such officer's duty;
- (2) committed against a state correctional officer or employee by a person in custody of the secretary of corrections, while such officer or employee is engaged in the performance of such officer's or employee's duty;
- (3) committed against a juvenile correctional facility officer or employee by a person confined in such juvenile correctional facility, while such officer or employee is engaged in the performance of such officer's or employee's duty;
- (4) committed against a juvenile detention facility officer or employee by a person confined in such juvenile detention facility, while such officer or employee is engaged in the performance of such officer's or employee's duty: or
- (5) committed against a city or county correctional officer or employee by a person confined in a city holding facility or county jail facility, while such officer or employee is engaged in the performance of such officer's or employee's duty.
- (b) Battery against a law enforcement officer as defined in subsection (a)(1) is a class A person misdemeanor. Battery against a law enforcement officer as defined in subsection (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4) or (a)(5) is a severity level 5, person felony.
 - (c) As used in this section:

- (1) "Correctional institution" means any institution or facility under the supervision and control of the secretary of corrections.
- (2) "State correctional officer or employee" means any officer or employee of the Kansas department of corrections or any independent contractor, or any employee of such contractor, working at a correctional institution.
- (3) "Juvenile correctional facility officer or employee" means any officer or employee of the juvenile justice authority or any independent contractor, or any employee of such contractor, working at a juvenile correctional facility, as defined in K.S.A. 38-1602 and amendments thereto.
- $(4)\,$ "Juvenile detention facility officer or employee" means any officer or employee of a juvenile detention facility as defined in K.S.A. 38-1602 and amendments thereto.
- (5) "City or county correctional officer or employee" means any correctional officer or employee of the city or county or any independent contractor, or any employee of such contractor, working at a city holding facility or county jail facility.
- (6) "Tribal law enforcement officer" means any law enforcement officer of a native American Indian tribe which has entered into a gaming compact with the state.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 21-3413 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.