

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 14, 2025
Date

Committee on Judiciary.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB25-1290 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 2, strike lines 1 through 27.

2 Page 3, strike lines 1 through 12 and substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-9-101, **add** (3)
4 as follows:

5 **18-9-101. Definitions.** As used in this part 1, unless the context
6 otherwise requires:

7 (3) "TRANSIT WORKER" MEANS A BUS OPERATOR, TRAIN
8 OPERATOR, TICKET INSPECTOR, CONDUCTOR, STATION CUSTOMER
9 ASSISTANT, OR A PERSON WHOSE OFFICIAL DUTIES INCLUDE THE
10 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, INSPECTION, TROUBLESHOOTING, TESTING, OR
11 CLEANING OF BUSES, TRAINS, OR FACILITIES OF A MASS TRANSPORTATION
12 SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 32-9-103, OR A COMMUTER RAIL AGENCY,
13 AUTHORITY, OR COMPANY, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, WHOSE OPERATION IS
14 AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE, WHETHER THE PERSON IS EMPLOYED BY A
15 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR A PRIVATE ENTITY.

16 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-9-111, **amend** (1)
17 introductory portion, (1)(h), and (2)(a); and **add** (1)(i) as follows:

18 **18-9-111. Harassment - Kiana Arellano's Law.** (1) A person
19 commits harassment if, with intent to harass, annoy, or alarm another
20 person, ~~he or she~~ THE PERSON:

21 (h) Repeatedly insults, taunts, challenges, or makes
22 communications in offensively coarse language to another in a manner
23 likely to provoke a violent or disorderly response; OR

24 (i) WRONGFULLY INTERFERES WITH A TRANSIT WORKER
25 PERFORMING A LAWFUL DUTY.

1 (2) (a) A person who violates subsection (1)(a), ~~or~~ (1)(c), OR (1)(i)
2 of this section or violates ~~any provision of~~ subsection (1) of this section
3 with the intent to intimidate or harass another person, in whole or in part,
4 because of that person's actual or perceived race; color; religion; ancestry;
5 national origin; physical or mental disability, as defined in section
6 18-9-121; sexual orientation, as defined in section 18-9-121; or
7 transgender identity commits a class 1 misdemeanor.

8 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-4.1-302, **add**
9 (1)(cc.2) as follows:

10 **24-4.1-302. Definitions.** As used in this part 3, and for no other
11 purpose, including the expansion of the rights of any defendant:

12 (1) "Crime" means any of the following offenses, acts, and
13 violations as defined by the statutes of the state of Colorado, whether
14 committed by an adult or a juvenile:

15 (cc.2) HARASSMENT IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 18-9-111 (1)(i);

16 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 32-9-160, **amend** (1)
17 as follows:

18 **32-9-160. Misdemeanors.** (1) Any person who wrongfully
19 damages, injures, or destroys, or in any manner impairs the usefulness of
20 any facility, property, structure, improvement, equipment, or other
21 property of the district acquired under the provisions of this article 9, ~~or~~
22 ~~who wrongfully interferes with any officer, agent, or employee of the~~
23 ~~district in the proper discharge of the officer's, agent's, or employee's~~
24 ~~duties~~; commits a class 2 misdemeanor."

25 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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