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Short Title: Crim. Offense/Vandalize Fire & EMS Equipment. (Public)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF INJURING, DESTROYING,
REMOVING, VANDALIZING, OR TAMPERING WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
FIREFIGHTING MACHINERY, FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT, AN AMBULANCE, A
RESCUE SQUAD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES VEHICLE, OR EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES EQUIPMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 23 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
new section to read:

**"§ 14-160.3. Injuring, destroying, removing, vandalizing, or tampering with firefighting or
emergency medical services machinery or equipment.**

A person is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor if the person intentionally injures, destroys,
removes, vandalizes, or tampers with or otherwise intentionally interferes with the operation of
any of the following:

- (1) Any machinery, apparatus, or equipment used by a fire department or the North
Carolina Forest Services for fighting fires, protecting property, or protecting
human life.
- (2) Any ambulance as defined in G.S. 131E-155 or rescue squad emergency
medical services vehicle or any equipment or apparatus used for emergency
medical services as defined in G.S. 131E-155."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to offenses
committed on or after that date.

