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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 565, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to assault committed in a hospital or trauma center, with penalty provisions.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 565, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 565.078, to read as follows:

**565.078. 1. A person commits the crime of assault while on the property of a hospital emergency room, or trauma center if the person:**

**(1) Knowingly causes physical injury to another person performing his or her official duties;**

**(2) With criminal negligence, causes physical injury to another person performing his or her official duties, by means of a deadly weapon; or**

**(3) Recklessly engages in conduct which creates a grave risk of death or serious physical injury to another person performing his or her official duties; and**

**(4) The act occurred on hospital emergency room, or trauma center property, or in a vehicle that at the time of the act was in the service of a hospital emergency room, or trauma center.**

**2. Assault while on the property of a hospital emergency room, or a trauma center is a class D felony.**