

SB 320-FN – AS INTRODUCED

2014 SESSION

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SENATE BILL        **320-FN**

AN ACT            relative to assault of a sports official.

SPONSORS:        Sen. Larsen, Dist 15; Sen. D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Rep. Wallner, Merr 10; Rep. S. Chandley, Hills 22

COMMITTEE:      Judiciary

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ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a specific penalty for simple assault of a sports official at a sports event.

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Explanation:      Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
                         Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough~~].  
                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen*

AN ACT                   relative to assault of a sports official.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1           1 Assault and Related Offenses; Simple Assault. Amend RSA 631:2-a to read as follows:  
2           631:2-a Simple Assault.

3           I. A person is guilty of simple assault if ~~[he]~~ **such person**:

4                   (a) Purposely or knowingly causes bodily injury or unprivileged physical contact to  
5 another; or

6                   (b) Recklessly causes bodily injury to another; or

7                   (c) Negligently causes bodily injury to another by means of a deadly weapon.

8           II. Simple assault is a misdemeanor unless committed in a fight entered into by mutual  
9 consent, in which case it is a violation.

10           ***III. A person convicted of simple assault of a sports official under this section***  
11 ***which occurs at a sports event shall be fined not less than \$500, may be required to***  
12 ***participate in counseling or community service, and may be temporarily prohibited from***  
13 ***attending sports events, as determined by the court. In this paragraph, "sports official"***  
14 ***means a person who is authorized to enforce the rules of a sports event, and "sports event"***  
15 ***means any athletic activity sanctioned by the state or any of its political subdivisions, or by***  
16 ***a business or charitable organization of any kind.***

17           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2015.

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**SB 320-FN - FISCAL NOTE**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Legislative Budget Assistant has determined that this legislation, **as introduced**, has a total fiscal impact of less than \$10,000 in each of the fiscal years 2014 through 2018.