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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-2921, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO OFFENSES
AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 13-2921, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 13-2921. Harassment; classification; definition

5 A. A person commits harassment if, with intent to harass or with
6 knowledge that the person is harassing another person, the person:

7 1. Anonymously or otherwise communicates or causes a communication
8 with another person by verbal, electronic, mechanical, telegraphic,
9 telephonic or written means in a manner that harasses.

10 2. Continues to follow another person in or about a public place for
11 no legitimate purpose after being asked to desist.

12 3. Repeatedly commits an act or acts that harass another person.

13 4. Surveils or causes another person to surveil a person for no
14 legitimate purpose.

15 5. On more than one occasion makes a false report to a law
16 enforcement, credit or social service agency.

17 6. Interferes with the delivery of any public or regulated utility to
18 a person.

19 B. A person commits harassment against a public officer or employee if
20 the person, with intent to harass, files a nonconsensual lien against any
21 public officer or employee that is not accompanied by an order or a judgment
22 from a court of competent jurisdiction authorizing the filing of the lien or
23 is not issued by a governmental entity or political subdivision or agency
24 pursuant to its statutory authority, a validly licensed utility or water
25 delivery company, a mechanics' lien claimant or an entity created under
26 covenants, conditions, restrictions or declarations affecting real property.

27 C. Harassment under subsection A is a class 1 misdemeanor. Harassment
28 under subsection B is a class 5 felony.

29 ~~D. This section does not apply to an otherwise lawful demonstration,
30 assembly or picketing.~~

31 ~~E.~~ D. For THE purposes of this section, "harassment" means conduct
32 THAT IS directed at a specific person ~~which~~ AND THAT would cause a reasonable
33 person to be seriously alarmed, annoyed or harassed and the conduct in fact
34 seriously alarms, annoys or harasses the person.