
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6138

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By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators A. Smith and Nelson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to obstructing a law enforcement officer; amending
2 RCW 9A.76.020; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.76.020 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 260 s 9A.76.020 are
5 each amended to read as follows:

6 ~~((Every person who, (1) without lawful excuse shall refuse or~~
7 ~~knowingly fail))~~ It is unlawful for any person to make any willfully
8 untrue, misleading, or ((furnish any)) exaggerated statement to a law
9 enforcement officer, ((report,)) or ((information lawfully required of
10 him by a public servant, or (2) in any such statement or report shall
11 make any knowingly untrue statement to a public servant, or (3) shall
12 knowingly)) to willfully hinder, delay, or obstruct any ((public
13 servant)) law enforcement officer in the discharge of his or her
14 official powers or duties((; shall be guilty of)). For the purposes of
15 this section, "law enforcement officer" shall include, in addition to
16 officers of the Washington state patrol and police and sheriff
17 departments, other public officers who are responsible for enforcement

1 of criminal laws, fire codes, building codes, zoning codes, and life
2 and safety codes. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor.

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