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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- "Sec. 1. RCW 9A.36.031 and 1997 c 172 s 1 are each amended to read 7 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) A person is guilty of assault in the third degree if he or she, 10 under circumstances not amounting to assault in the first or second 11 degree:
- 12 (a) With intent to prevent or resist the execution of any lawful process or mandate of any court officer or the lawful apprehension or 13 detention of himself or another person, assaults another; or 14
- 15 (b) Assaults a person employed as a transit operator or driver by a public or private transit company while that person is operating or 16 is in control of a vehicle that is owned or operated by the transit 17 18 company ((and that is occupied by one or more passengers)); or
- 19 (c) Assaults a school bus driver employed by a school district or 20 a private company under contract for transportation services with a school district while the driver is operating or is in control of a 21 22 school bus ((that is occupied by one or more passengers)); or
- 23 (d) With criminal negligence, causes bodily harm to another person by means of a weapon or other instrument or thing likely to produce 24 bodily harm; or 25
- 26 (e) Assaults a fire fighter or other employee of a fire department, 27 county fire marshal's office, county fire prevention bureau, or fire protection district who was performing his or her official duties at 28 the time of the assault; or 29
- 30 (f) With criminal negligence, causes bodily harm accompanied by substantial pain that extends for a period sufficient to cause 31 considerable suffering; or 32
- (g) Assaults a law enforcement officer or other employee of a law 33 34 enforcement agency who was performing his or her official duties at the 35 time of the assault; or

- (h) Assaults a nurse, physician, or health care provider who was 1 performing his or her nursing or health care duties at the time of the 2 assault. For purposes of this subsection: "Nurse" means a person 3 4 licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW; "physician" means a person licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW; and "health care provider" means a 5 person certified under chapter 18.71 or 18.73 RCW who performs 6 7 emergency medical services or a person regulated under Title 18 RCW and employed by, or contracting with, a hospital licensed under chapter 8 9 70.41 RCW.
- 10 (2) Assault in the third degree is a class C felony."

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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "drivers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 9A.36.031; and prescribing penalties."

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