## SENATE BILL 5058

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to assault of a corrections officer, law 2 enforcement officer, or other employee of a law enforcement agency;
- 3 amending RCW 9A.36.011 and 9A.36.021; and prescribing penalties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.36.011 and 1997 c 196 s 1 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) A person is guilty of assault in the first degree if he or  $8 ext{ she}((\tau))$ :
  - (a) With intent to inflict great bodily harm:

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- 10 ((<del>(a)</del>)) <u>(i)</u> Assaults another with a firearm or any deadly weapon or 11 by any force or means likely to produce great bodily harm or death; or
- 12 ((<del>(b)</del>)) <u>(ii)</u> Administers, exposes, or transmits to or causes to be 13 taken by another, poison, the human immunodeficiency virus as defined 14 in chapter 70.24 RCW, or any other destructive or noxious substance; or
  - ((<del>(c)</del>)) <u>(iii)</u> Assaults another and inflicts great bodily harm; or
- 16 (b) Assaults a corrections officer, law enforcement officer, or
- other employee of a law enforcement agency with a deadly weapon who was
- 18 performing his or her official duties at the time of the assault.
  - (2) Assault in the first degree is a class A felony.

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- Sec. 2. RCW 9A.36.021 and 2011 c 166 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
  - (1) A person is guilty of assault in the second degree if he or she, under circumstances not amounting to assault in the first degree:
  - (a) Intentionally assaults another and thereby recklessly inflicts substantial bodily harm; or
  - (b) Intentionally and unlawfully causes substantial bodily harm to an unborn quick child by intentionally and unlawfully inflicting any injury upon the mother of such child; or
    - (c) Assaults another with a deadly weapon; or

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- 11 (d) With intent to inflict bodily harm, administers to or causes to 12 be taken by another, poison or any other destructive or noxious 13 substance; or
  - (e) With intent to commit a felony, assaults another; or
- 15 (f) Knowingly inflicts bodily harm which by design causes such pain 16 or agony as to be the equivalent of that produced by torture; or
  - (g) Assaults another by strangulation or suffocation; or
- (h) With criminal negligence, causes bodily harm to a corrections
  officer, law enforcement officer, or other employee of a law
  enforcement agency who was performing his or her official duties at the
  time of the assault.
- 22 (2)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, assault in the 23 second degree is a class B felony.
- 24 (b) Assault in the second degree with a finding of sexual 25 motivation under RCW 9.94A.835 or 13.40.135 is a class A felony.

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