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**SENATE BILL 6160**

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**State of Washington 68th Legislature 2024 Regular Session**

**By** Senators MacEwen, Torres, J. Wilson, and L. Wilson

AN ACT Relating to penalties for unlawfully obstructing traffic; amending RCW 9A.84.020 and 9A.84.030; and prescribing penalties.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 9A.84.020 and 2011 c 336 s 410 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of failure to disperse if:

(a) He or she congregates with a group of three or more other persons and there are acts of conduct within that group which create a substantial risk of causing injury to any person, or substantial harm to property; and

(b) He or she refuses or fails to disperse when ordered to do so by a peace officer or other public servant engaged in enforcing or executing the law.

(2)(a) Failure to disperse is a misdemeanor.

(b) Failure to disperse is a class C felony when a person refuses to disperse from a public roadway and their refusal obstructs traffic.

**Sec.**  RCW 9A.84.030 and 2007 c 2 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of disorderly conduct if the person:

(a) Uses abusive language and thereby intentionally creates a risk of assault;

(b) Intentionally disrupts any lawful assembly or meeting of persons without lawful authority;

(c) Intentionally obstructs vehicular or pedestrian traffic without lawful authority; or

(d)(i) Intentionally engages in fighting or in tumultuous conduct or makes unreasonable noise, within five hundred feet of:

(A) The location where a funeral or burial is being performed;

(B) A funeral home during the viewing of a deceased person;

(C) A funeral procession, if the person described in this subsection (1)(d) knows that the funeral procession is taking place; or

(D) A building in which a funeral or memorial service is being conducted; and

(ii) Knows that the activity adversely affects the funeral, burial, viewing, funeral procession, or memorial service.

(2)(a) Disorderly conduct is a misdemeanor.

(b) Disorderly conduct is a gross misdemeanor when a person violates subsection (1)(c) of this section.

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