



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 354

LCO No. 1522

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
SEN. CALIGIURI, 16th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING INTIMIDATION ON ACCOUNT OF
MEMBERSHIP IN THE ARMED FORCES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That sections 53a-181i to 53a-181l, inclusive, of the general statutes,
- 2 concerning the crime of intimidation based on bigotry or bias, be
- 3 amended to make it a violation of those statutes for a person, with the
- 4 intent to intimidate or harass another person because of the actual or
- 5 perceived membership of such person in the armed forces, to assault
- 6 or threaten, or damage the property of, such other person.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect members of the armed forces by making it a hate crime to assault or verbally attack a person due solely to the fact of such person's status as a member of the armed forces.