§758. Obstructing report of crime or injury

1. A person is guilty of obstructing the report of a crime or injury if that person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly disconnects, damages, disables, removes or uses physical force or intimidation to block access to a telephone, radio or other electronic communication device with the intent to obstruct, prevent or interfere with another person's:

A. Report to a law enforcement agency; or [PL 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]

B. Request for an ambulance or emergency medical assistance to a governmental agency, hospital, physician or other medical service provider. [PL 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]

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2. It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the actor reasonably believed that the actor's conduct was necessary to prevent a false public alarm or report as described in section 509.

[PL 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]

3. Obstructing report of crime or injury is a Class D crime.

[PL 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).

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