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H.B. No. 705

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the definition of emergency services personnel for
3 purposes of the enhanced penalty prescribed for an assault
4 committed against a person providing services in that capacity.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 22.01(e)(1), Penal Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (1) "Emergency services personnel" includes
9 firefighters, emergency medical services personnel as defined by
10 Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code, emergency room personnel,
11 and other individuals who, in the course and scope of employment or
12 as a volunteer, provide services for the benefit of the general
13 public during emergency situations.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.