Howard, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) 1-1 H.B. No. 705 By: (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2013; May 10, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 17, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 17, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

1-6		COMMITTEE VOTE			
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Whitmire	Х			
1-9	Huffman	Х			
1-10	Carona	Х			
1-11	Hinojosa	Х			
1-12	Patrick	Х			
1-13	Rodriguez	Х			
1-14	Schwertner	Х			

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the definition of emergency services personnel for purposes of the enhanced penalty prescribed for an assault 1**-**17 1**-**18 committed against a person providing services in that capacity. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-19 1-20

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 22.01(e)(1), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-22 1-23 "Emergency personnel" (1)services includes 1-24 firefighters, emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code, <u>emergency room personnel</u>, and other individuals who, in the course and scope of employment or as a volunteer, provide services for the benefit of the general 1-25 1-26 1-27 1-28 public during emergency situations. SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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