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HOUSE BILL 15-1303

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Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING	ELIMINATING	THE	APPLICA	TION OF	CER	TAIN
102	SENTEN	CING PROVISION	NS TO	CERTAIN	PERSONS	WHO	ARE
103	CONVIC	FED OF ASSAULT	'IN THI	E SECOND I	DEGREE.		

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries</u>.)

Under current law, for sentencing purposes, second-degree assault is considered a crime of violence if the defendant caused bodily injury to any person with intent to prevent one whom he or she knows, or should know, to be a peace officer, firefighter, or emergency medical service provider from performing a lawful duty. Under the bill, such an offense is not necessarily a crime of violence.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-3-203, amend (2)
3 (c) as follows:

4 18-3-203. Assault in the second degree. (2) (c) If a defendant is 5 convicted of assault in the second degree pursuant to paragraph (b), $\frac{(c)}{(c)}$, 6 (d), or (g) of subsection (1) of this section or paragraph (b.5) of this 7 subsection (2), except with respect to sexual assault or sexual assault in 8 the first degree as it existed prior to July 1, 2000, the court shall sentence 9 the defendant in accordance with the provisions of section 18-1.3-406. A 10 defendant convicted of assault in the second degree pursuant to paragraph 11 (b.5) of this subsection (2) with respect to sexual assault or sexual assault 12 in the first degree as it existed prior to July 1, 2000, shall be sentenced in 13 accordance with section 18-1.3-401 (8) (e) or (8) (e.5).

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.