

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

January 23, 2025

Introduced by Sen. HELMING -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to expanding the offense of assault in the second degree to include the infliction of physical injury to employees of domestic violence shelters and persons seeking shelter in such shelters

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 120.05 of the penal law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision 3-d to read as follows:

3 3-d. (a) With intent to prevent an employee of domestic violence shel-  
4 ters from performing their lawful duties while located on the grounds,  
5 real property, or a building owned, managed, or operated by such domes-  
6 tic violence shelters or within five hundred feet of such shelters, such  
7 person causes physical injury to such employee; and

8 (b) with intent to prevent persons seeking services from such domestic  
9 violence shelters and/or residing in such shelters from accessing the  
10 grounds, real property, or a building owned, managed, or operated by  
11 such domestic violence shelters or within five hundred feet of such  
12 shelters, they cause physical injury to such person; or

13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
14 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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