

CHAPTER 185

CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEDURE

HOUSE BILL 17-1188

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AN ACT**CONCERNING BIAS-MOTIVATED HARASSMENT.**

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-9-111, **amend** (2) as follows:

18-9-111. Harassment - Kiana Arellano's law. (2) Harassment pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is a class 3 misdemeanor; except that harassment is a class 1 misdemeanor if the offender commits harassment pursuant to subsection (1) of this section with the intent to intimidate or harass another person because of that person's actual or perceived race; color; religion; ancestry; ~~or~~ national origin; PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 18-9-121 (5)(a); OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 18-9-121 (5)(b).

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: May 3, 2017

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.