

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 690  
HOUSE BILL 1033

AN ACT CREATING THE OFFENSE OF INTERFERING WITH AN EMERGENCY  
RADIO COMMUNICATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 36 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 14-286.2. **Interfering with emergency communication.** – (a) Offense. A person who, without authorization, intentionally interferes with an emergency radio communication, knowing that the communication is an emergency communication, and who is not making an emergency communication himself, is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by:

- (1) A fine of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and imprisonment for up to one year if, as a result of the interference, serious bodily injury or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) occurs; or
- (2) A fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and imprisonment for up to six months if a result described in subdivision (1) does not occur.

(b) 'Emergency Communication' Defined. As used in this section, the term 'emergency communication' means a communication not governed by Federal law relating that an individual is or is reasonably believed to be in imminent danger of serious bodily injury or that property is or is reasonably believed to be in imminent danger of substantial damage."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1987, and shall apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of July, 1987.