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BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 177  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Interference With Access to or Egress From a Religious Facility**” and substitute “**Obstruction or Interference With Exercise of Religious Beliefs**”; strike beginning with “person” in line 4 down through “facilities” in line 6 and substitute “person from using force, threat of force, or physical obstruction to interfere with or physically injure another while the other is lawfully exercising or attempting to lawfully exercise religious beliefs at a place of religious worship; and generally relating to obstruction or interference with the exercise of religious beliefs”; and strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 2 on page 4, inclusive, and substitute:

“10-204.1.

(A) A PERSON MAY NOT USE FORCE, THREAT OF FORCE, OR PHYSICAL OBSTRUCTION TO INTERFERE WITH OR PHYSICALLY INJURE ANOTHER WHILE THE OTHER IS LAWFULLY EXERCISING OR ATTEMPTING TO LAWFULLY EXERCISE THE RIGHT OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM UNDER THE FIRST AMENDMENT OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AT A PLACE OF RELIGIOUS WORSHIP.

(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 90 DAYS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.”.