

1 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 3501 is amended to read:

2 § 3501. DEFINITIONS

3 (a) As used in this chapter:

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5 (7) “Weapon of mass destruction” means:

6 (A) a chemical warfare agent, weaponized biological or biologic  
7 warfare agent, nuclear agent, ~~or~~ radiological agent; or

8 (B) any firearm possessed with the intent to inflict injury or death on  
9 multiple persons.

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11 Sec. 2. 13 V.S.A. § 4003 is amended to read:

12 § 4003. CARRYING DANGEROUS WEAPONS

13 (a) A person who carries or possesses a dangerous or deadly weapon,  
14 ~~openly or concealed, or with the intent or avowed purpose of injuring a fellow~~  
15 ~~man, to injure another shall be imprisoned not more than two years or fined not~~  
16 ~~more than \$2,000.00, or both. It shall be a felony punishable by not more than~~  
17 ~~10 years or a fine of \$25,000.00 or both if the person intends to injure multiple~~  
18 ~~persons.~~

19 (b) A person who knowingly carries a dangerous or deadly weapon within  
20 any state institution or educational institution or upon school property as  
21 defined in section 4004 of this title or the grounds or lands owned or leased for

1 the use of ~~such any state~~ institution, ~~without the approval of the warden or~~  
2 ~~superintendent of the institution~~, shall be imprisoned not more than two years  
3 or fined not more than ~~\$200.00~~ \$2,000.00, or both.

4 Sec. 3. 13 V.S.A. § 1703 is added to read:

5 § 1703. DOMESTIC TERRORISM

6 (a) As used in this section:

7 (1) “Domestic terrorism” shall mean threatening to engage in, engaging  
8 in, or taking substantial steps to commit a violation of the criminal laws of this  
9 State with the intent to:

10 (A) cause death or serious bodily injury to multiple people; or

11 (B) threaten any civilian population with mass destruction, mass  
12 killings, or kidnapping.

13 (2) “Substantial step” shall mean conduct that is strongly corroborative  
14 of the actor’s intent to complete the commission of the offense and that  
15 advances beyond mere preparation.

16 (b) A person who knowingly and willfully engages in an act of domestic  
17 terrorism shall be imprisoned for not more than 20 years or fined not more than  
18 \$50,000.00, or both.