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TO THE	HONOR	ABLE	SENATE:

- The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 321 entitled "An act relating to aggravated murder for killing a firefighter or an emergency medical provider" respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 8 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 2311 is amended to read:
- 9 § 2311. AGGRAVATED MURDER DEFINED
 - (a) A person is guilty of aggravated murder if he or she commits a first or second degree murder, as defined in section 2301 of this title, and at the time of his or her actions, one or more of the following circumstances was in fact present:

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(7) The victim of the murder was known by the person to be <u>a</u> firefighter, a member of emergency medical or first responder service personnel as defined in 24 V.S.A. § 2651(6) and (10), a person employed in any capacity in or about a correctional facility, or a law enforcement officer, and was performing his or her official duties.

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1	(9)(A) The victim was a health care provider who was providing health
2	services in the emergency room of a health care facility.
3	(B) As used in this subdivision:
4	(i) "Health care facility" has the same meaning as in 18 V.S.A.
5	<u>§ 9432(8).</u>
6	(ii) "Health care provider" has the same meaning as in 18 V.S.A.
7	<u>§ 9432(9).</u>
8	(iii) "Health services" has the same meaning as in 18 V.S.A.
9	§ 9432(10).
10	Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE
11	This act shall take effect on passage.
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17	(Committee vote:)
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20	FOR THE COMMITTEE