

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION

February 20, 2025

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT number \_\_\_\_\_ to HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL  
8, as amended

Amendment sponsored by Senator Craig W. Brandt

1. On page 2, line 5, after the semicolon, insert "CREATING  
THE CRIME OF SWATTING AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES;".

2. On page 39, between lines 5 and 6, insert:

"SECTION 17. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 20 NMSA 1978  
is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] SWATTING UNLAWFUL.--

A. Swatting consists of knowingly making a false or  
misleading report to a public safety agency of an ongoing emergency  
or threat of violence with the intent to cause an immediate response  
from a public safety agency.

B. A person who commits swatting is guilty of a fourth  
degree felony.

C. A court may order a person convicted of swatting to pay  
restitution to the victim of the offense.

D. As used in this section, "public safety agency" means:

(1) a law enforcement, a firefighting or an emergency  
medical services agency; or

(2) a twenty-four-hour local communications facility  
that receives 911 service communications and directly dispatches  
emergency response services or relays communications to law

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enforcement, firefighting or emergency medical services agencies."".

3. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

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Craig W. Brandt

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(Chief Clerk)

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(Chief Clerk)

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