

REFERENCE TITLE: technical correction; obstructing governmental operations

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HB 2491

Introduced by
Representative Payne

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-2402, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO
OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 13-2402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 13-2402. Obstructing governmental operations; classification

5 A. A person commits obstructing governmental operations if, by
6 using or threatening to use violence or physical force, ~~such~~ THE person
7 knowingly obstructs, impairs or hinders EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

8 1. The performance of a governmental function by a public servant
9 acting under color of ~~his~~ THE PUBLIC SERVANT'S official authority. ~~, or~~

10 2. The enforcement of the penal law or the preservation of the
11 peace by a peace officer acting under color of ~~his~~ THE PEACE OFFICER'S
12 official authority.

13 B. This section does not apply to the obstruction, impairment or
14 ~~hinderance~~ HINDRANCE of the making of an arrest.

15 C. Obstructing governmental operations is a class 1 misdemeanor.