

REFERENCE TITLE: unlawful release of balloons

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Introduced by
Senator Kavanagh

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 16, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 13-1606; RELATING TO CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

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

2 Section 1. Title 13, chapter 16, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
3 amended by adding section 13-1606, to read:

4 13-1606. Unlawful release of balloons; classification

5 A. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON WHO IS AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF
6 AGE TO INTENTIONALLY RELEASE, ORGANIZE THE RELEASE OF, SUPERVISE THE
7 RELEASE OF OR CAUSE TO BE RELEASED TEN OR MORE BALLOONS INFLATED WITH GAS
8 THAT IS LIGHTER THAN AIR EXCEPT FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

9 1. BALLOONS THAT ARE RELEASED BY A PERSON ON BEHALF OF A
10 GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR PURSUANT TO A GOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT FOR SCIENTIFIC
11 OR METEOROLOGICAL PURPOSES.

12 2. HOT AIR BALLOONS THAT ARE RECOVERED AFTER LAUNCHING.

13 3. BALLOONS THAT ARE RELEASED INDOORS.

14 B. A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A PETTY OFFENSE.