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### Sectional Analysis

#### Senate Bill 182 v. O

**“An Act establishing the crime of interference with emergency communications.”**

**Section 1: Adds a new section (.785. Interference with emergency communications) to AS 11.56. (Criminal Law, 56. Offenses Against Public Administration).**

- (a) Establishes that a person commits a crime of interference with emergency communication when they:
- (1) Call 911 to elicit a first responder response for a previously reported incident when there has been no change in circumstances, and they have been instructed to stop calling
  - (2) Make repeated 911 calls when there is no emergency.
  - (3) Threaten 911 operator during a call to 911.
  - (4) Disrupt emergency communications:
    - (A) Between 911 operators and first responders,
    - (B) Between first responders.
    - (C) Between a 911 operator and a person reporting an emergency.
- (b) Clarifies that that (4)(a) does not apply to in person communications.
- (c) Defines: “emergency communication,” “emergency communication center,” and “emergency communication worker.”
- (d) Establishes that this crime is
- (1) A class C felony if the interference results in death or serious physical harm.
  - (2) Otherwise, it is a class A misdemeanor.

**Section 2:** Adds a section to uncodified law that specifies that this act is not applicable to offenses committed prior to this legislation.