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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS33340 / S1296

In light of increasing animus and threats against religious worship around the country, this legislation recognizes a specific criminal trespass offense for entering or remaining on the premises of a church or house of worship while the individual's presence is clearly not permitted. To be convicted, an individual must also be proven to possess the specific intent to intimidate, harass, or disrupt a religious service or assemblage.

## FISCAL NOTE

This legislation causes no changes in revenue and directs no expenditures of funds at the state or local level. This legislation thus has no fiscal impact.

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