

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
Fifty-first Legislature  
Second Regular Session  
2014

**CHAPTER 257**  
**HOUSE BILL 2164**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-1213, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ASSAULT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 13-1213, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 13-1213. Aiming a laser pointer at a peace officer or an  
5 occupied aircraft; classification; definitions

6 A. A person commits aiming a laser pointer at a peace officer if the  
7 person intentionally or knowingly directs the beam of light from ~~an operating~~  
8 A laser pointer OR LASER EMITTING DEVICE at another person and the person  
9 knows or reasonably should know that the other person is a peace officer.

10 B. A PERSON COMMITS AIMING A LASER POINTER AT AN OCCUPIED AIRCRAFT IF  
11 THE PERSON INTENTIONALLY OR KNOWINGLY DIRECTS THE BEAM OF LIGHT FROM A LASER  
12 POINTER OR LASER EMITTING DEVICE AT AN AIRCRAFT AND THE PERSON KNOWS OR  
13 REASONABLY SHOULD KNOW THAT THE AIRCRAFT IS OCCUPIED.

14 ~~B.~~ C. Aiming a laser pointer at a peace officer is a class 1  
15 misdemeanor.

16 D. AIMING A LASER POINTER AT AN OCCUPIED AIRCRAFT IS A CLASS 1  
17 MISDEMEANOR. IF THE ACT RENDERS THE PILOT UNABLE TO SAFELY OPERATE THE  
18 AIRCRAFT OR CAUSES SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY TO ANY PERSON ON BOARD THE  
19 AIRCRAFT IT IS AN ASSAULT PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER.

20 ~~C.~~ E. For the purposes of this section,--:

21 1. "AIRCRAFT" MEANS ANY VEHICLE THAT IS DESIGNED FOR FLIGHT IN THE AIR  
22 BY BUOYANCY OR BY THE DYNAMIC ACTION OF AIR ON THE VEHICLE'S SURFACES,  
23 INCLUDING POWERED AIRPLANES, GLIDERS AND HELICOPTERS.

24 2. "Laser pointer OR LASER EMITTING DEVICE" means any device that  
25 ~~consists of a high or low powered visible light beam used for aiming,~~  
26 ~~targeting or pointing out features~~ IS DESIGNED OR USED TO AMPLIFY  
27 ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION BY STIMULATED EMISSION THAT EMITS A BEAM DESIGNED  
28 TO BE USED BY THE OPERATOR AS A POINTER OR HIGHLIGHTER TO INDICATE, MARK OR  
29 IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC POSITION, PLACE, ITEM OR OBJECT.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 30, 2014.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 30, 2014.