

**House Study Bill 613 - Introduced**

HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
ON JUDICIARY BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON HOLT)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to intimidation with a dangerous weapon, and  
2 making penalties applicable.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 708.6, Code 2026, is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 **708.6 Intimidation with a dangerous weapon.**

4 1. A person commits a class "C" felony when the person,  
5 with the intent to injure or provoke fear or anger ~~in another,~~  
6 shoots, throws, launches, or discharges a dangerous weapon at,  
7 into, or in a building, vehicle, airplane, railroad engine,  
8 railroad car, or boat, occupied by another person, ~~or within an~~  
9 ~~assembly of people, and thereby places the occupants or people~~  
10 ~~in reasonable apprehension of serious injury~~ or threatens to  
11 commit such an act under circumstances raising a reasonable  
12 expectation that the threat will be carried out.

13 2. A person commits a class "D" felony when the person  
14 shoots, throws, launches, or discharges a dangerous weapon  
15 at another person or at, into, or in a building, vehicle,  
16 airplane, railroad engine, railroad car, or boat, occupied by  
17 another person, ~~or within an assembly of people, and thereby~~  
18 ~~places the occupants or people in reasonable apprehension~~  
19 ~~of serious injury~~ or threatens to commit such an act under  
20 circumstances raising a reasonable expectation that the threat  
21 will be carried out.

22 EXPLANATION

23 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
24 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

25 This bill relates to intimidation with a dangerous weapon.  
26 The bill removes language referring to discharging a  
27 dangerous weapon within an assembly of people, and thereby  
28 placing the occupants or people in reasonable apprehension of  
29 serious injury from the bill.

30 A violation of the bill is either a class "C" or class "D"  
31 felony depending on the circumstances. A class "C" felony is  
32 punishable by confinement for no more than 10 years and a fine  
33 of at least \$1,370 but not more than \$13,660. A class "D"  
34 felony is punishable by confinement for no more than five years  
35 and a fine of at least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245.