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A BILL FOR

An Act to prohibit and to make it unlawful to picket or to interfere or attempt to interfere with another in his work or employment by force, threats, violence or intimidation, to picket so as to obstruct or interfere with free ingress or egress from any premises or the free use of public streets, sidewalks or the public ways, or to engage in violence, intimidation or unlawful destruction or seizure of property in connection with labor disputes or labor organization activities and to provide punishments for violations thereof.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to picket,
2 or induce others to picket the establishment, supply or delivery
3 vehicles, or customers of any person, firm or corporation engaged
4 in business, or to in any manner interfere with any person or
5 persons desiring to transact business with any person, firm or
6 corporation engaged in business, when no labor dispute exists
7 between such employer and his employees or their representatives.

1 Sec. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, singly or
2 in concert with others, to interfere or attempt to interfere with
3 another in the exercise of his right to work or of his right to
4 enter upon the performance of any lawful employment or vocation

5 by the use of force, threats, violence or intimidation.

1 Sec. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in
2 picketing by force or violence, or to picket alone or in concert
3 with others in such manner as to obstruct or interfere with
4 free ingress or egress to and from any premises or to obstruct
5 or interfere with the free use of public streets, sidewalks or
6 other public ways.

1 Sec. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person or group of
2 persons, employee or employees, or any labor union, association
3 or organization, to engage in violence, intimidation or unlawful
4 destruction or seizure of property in connection with a labor
5 dispute or as a means of forcing settlement of a labor dispute
6 involving any employer, or in connection with any organizational
7 activity of a labor organization among the employees of any
8 employer.

1 Sec. 5. Any person or labor union, labor association or
2 labor organization or any officer, representative, agent or
3 member thereof, who shall violate any of the provisions of this
4 Act or who shall aid and abet in such violation shall be deemed
5 guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be
6 fined not to exceed one hundred dollars or be imprisoned in the
7 county jail for not more than thirty days. Each violation shall
8 constitute a separate offense.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 131

This bill prohibits picketing by force, threats, violence and intimidation and such picketing as prevents persons from entering or leaving any particular place or from using the public ways. The bill also prohibits the unlawful destruction and seizure of property in connection with labor disputes and activities and makes violations a crime.