

# ACT 2013 - 74

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3 By Senator Reed  
4 RFD: Commerce, Transportation, and Utilities  
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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 To amend Sections 13A-7-24 and 13A-7-25, Code of  
6 Alabama 1975; to further define criminal tampering.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. Sections 13A-7-24 and 13A-7-25, Code of  
9 Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

10 "§13A-7-24.

11 "The following definitions apply to Sections  
12 13A-7-25 and 13A-7-26:

13 "(1) TAMPER. To improperly interfere, meddle with or  
14 make an unwarranted alteration in the condition of property of  
15 another.

16 "(2) PROPERTY. As used in the context of Sections  
17 13A-7-25 and 13A-7-26, such term means any tangible or  
18 intangible property, real or personal, public or private, and  
19 includes the commodities and services of a utility nature,  
20 such as gas, electricity, steam and water.

21 "(3) UTILITY. An enterprise which provides gas,  
22 electric, steam, water, sewage, transportation or  
23 communication services, cable and broadband services, and any  
24 institution that provides health and safety protection or

1 other public services; it may be either publicly or privately owned.

2 "§13A-7-25.

3 "(a) A person commits the crime of criminal  
4 tampering in the first degree if, ~~having~~ the person does any  
5 of the following:

6 "(1) Having no right to do so or any reasonable  
7 ground to believe that he or she has such a right, ~~he~~  
8 intentionally causes substantial interruption or impairment of  
9 a service rendered to the public by a utility.

10 "(2) Threatens an individual with a deadly weapon or  
11 dangerous instrument with the intent to obstruct the operation  
12 of a utility. This subdivision only applies if the individual  
13 is working under the procedures and within the scope of his or  
14 her duties as an employee of the utility and has properly  
15 identified himself or herself when asked by stating his or her  
16 name, employer, and purpose of work.

17 "(b) Criminal tampering in the first degree is a  
18 Class C felony."

19 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
20 first day of the third month following its passage and  
21 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 21-FEB-13

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate, as amended.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

House of Representatives  
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By: Senator Reed

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GOVERNOR

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