

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2026**  
**Substitute for Raised H.B. No. 5496**

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**Introducer(s):**

Labor and Public Employees Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PROTECTIONS FOR UTILITY AND PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES.

**Statement of Purpose:** To implement requirements to protect the safety of certain utility and public works employees.

**Bill History:**

03-05-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee  
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**Co-sponsor(s):**

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