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**SENATE BILL 5059**

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**State of Washington 67th Legislature 2021 Regular Session**

**By** Senators McCune, Holy, and Wagoner

AN ACT Relating to protecting state and federal monuments, memorials, and statues from damage intentionally inflicted during the course of unpeaceful demonstrations or riots; amending RCW 9A.48.110; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

**Sec.**  RCW 9A.48.110 and 1995 c 66 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of defacing a ((~~state~~)) public monument if he or she knowingly defaces a statue, monument, or memorial on the state capitol campus, or other ((~~state~~)) property owned by a public body.

(2) For purposes of this section, "public body" means the federal government and the state of Washington, its agencies, institutions, political subdivisions, and municipal and quasi-municipal corporations now or hereafter existing under the laws of the state of Washington.

(3) Defacing a ((~~state~~)) public monument is a ((~~misdemeanor~~)) class C felony.

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