

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 944 defines hazing as it relates to the prohibition on such activities to mean any unauthorized activity which would subject the individual to extreme mental stress, such as prolonged sleep deprivation, forced prolonged exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which could result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity which could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of the individual. The measure expands the prohibition to all educational institutions. The measure establishes a civil penalty of up to \$15,000.00 and increases the maximum fine for hazing that did not result in bodily harm from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00. The measure establishes a felony for hazing that resulted in bodily harm and provides for a maximum fine of \$15,000.00 and a term of imprisonment not to exceed 10 years. The measure specifies that the implied consent of the victim shall not be a defense, nor shall any argument relating to custom and tradition be used as a defense. The measure provides immunity to criminal and civil penalties relating to alcohol if a person makes a good faith effort to request emergency medical assistance.

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