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Weinstein, Russo, Howse, Crawley

A BILL

To enact section 2903.17 of the Revised Code to 1
create the offense of strangulation by a law 2
enforcement officer. 3

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 2903.17 of the Revised Code be 4
enacted to read as follows: 5

Sec. 2903.17. (A) No law enforcement officer, while acting 6
in the capacity of a law enforcement officer, shall knowingly 7
cause serious physical harm to a person by knowingly impeding 8
the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of the person 9
by applying pressure to the throat or neck, or by blocking the 10
nose or mouth, of the person. 11

(B) Whoever violates this section is guilty of 12
strangulation by a law enforcement officer, a felony of the 13
third degree. 14