

Prior law defined the crime of disarming a peace officer as an offender, through use of force or threat of force, and without the consent of the peace officer, taking possession of a firearm from the person of a peace officer or from an area within the peace officer's immediate control, when the offender has reasonable grounds to believe that the victim is a peace officer acting in the performance of his duty.

New law retains the elements of the crime but expands the definition to include all law enforcement equipment.

New law defines "law enforcement equipment" as any firearms, weapons, restraints, ballistics shields, forced entry tools, defense technology equipment, self-defense batons, self-defense sprays, chemical weapons, or electro shock weapons issued to a peace officer and used in the course and scope of his law enforcement duties.

New law retains the existing law definition of "peace officer" and adds livestock brand inspectors and forestry officers to that definition.

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