

507.070 Murder of a first responder.

- (1) As used in this section, "first responder" means:
 - (a) A peace officer;
 - (b) Paid or volunteer emergency medical services or rescue personnel;
 - (c) A paid or volunteer member of an organized fire department; or
 - (d) Personnel of a private nonprofit organization providing fire, rescue, or emergency medical services;
engaged at the time of the act in the lawful performance of his or her duties.
- (2) A person is guilty of murder of a first responder when, with the intent to cause the death of a first responder, he or she causes the death of a first responder.
- (3) Notwithstanding KRS Chapter 532, murder of a first responder is a capital offense and the person shall be sentenced to death or imprisonment for life without benefit of probation or parole.

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