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To enact sections 2911.10 and 2911.23 of the Revised Code to create the offense of criminal trespass on a place of public amusement and to clarify the element of "trespass" in the offenses of aggravated burglary, burglary, and breaking and entering.

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

Section 1. That sections 2911.10 and 2911.23 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 2911.10. As used in sections 2911.11 to 2911.13 of the Revised Code, the element of trespass refers to a violation of section 2911.21 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 2911.23. (A) As used in this section, "place of public amusement" means a stadium, theater, or other facility, whether licensed or not, at which a live performance, sporting event, or other activity takes place for entertainment of the public and to

which access is made available to the public, regardless of
whether admission is charged.

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(B) No person, without privilege to do so, shall knowingly
enter or remain on any restricted portion of a place of public
amusement and, as a result of that conduct, interrupt or cause the
delay of the live performance, sporting event, or other activity
taking place at the place of public amusement after a printed
written notice has been given as provided in division (D)(1) of
this section that the general public is restricted from access to
that restricted portion of the place of public amusement. A
restricted portion of a place of public amusement may include, but
is not limited to, a playing field, an athletic surface, or a
stage located at the place of public amusement.

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(C) An owner or lessee of a place of public amusement, an
agent of the owner or lessee, or a performer or participant at a
place of public amusement may use reasonable force to restrain and
remove a person from a restricted portion of the place of public
amusement if the person enters or remains on the restricted
portion of the place of public amusement and, as a result of that
conduct, interrupts or causes the delay of the live performance,
sporting event, or other activity taking place at the place of
public amusement. This division does not provide immunity from
criminal liability for any use of force beyond reasonable force by
an owner or lessee of a place of public amusement, an agent of
either the owner or lessee, or a performer or participant at a
place of public amusement.

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(D)(1) Notice has been given that the general public is
restricted from access to a portion of a place of public amusement
if a printed written notice of the restricted access has been
conspicuously posted or exhibited at the entrance to that portion
of the place of public amusement. If a printed written notice is

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posted or exhibited as described in this division regarding a
portion of a place of public amusement, in addition to that
posting or exhibition, notice that the general public is
restricted from access to that portion of the place of public
amusement also may be given, but is not required to be given, by
either of the following means:

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(a) By notifying the person personally, either orally or in
writing, that access to that portion of the place of public
amusement is restricted;

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(b) By broadcasting over the public address system of the
place of public amusement an oral warning that access to that
portion of the place of public amusement is restricted.

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(2) If notice that the general public is restricted from
access to a portion of a place of public amusement is provided by
the posting or exhibition of a printed written notice as described
in division (D)(1) of this section, the state, in a criminal
prosecution for a violation of division (B) of this section, is
not required to prove that the defendant received actual notice
that the general public is restricted from access to a portion of
a place of public amusement.

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(E)(1) Whoever violates division (B) of this section is
guilty of criminal trespass on a place of public amusement, a
misdemeanor of the first degree.

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(2) In addition to any jail term, fine, or other sentence,
penalty, or sanction it imposes upon the offender pursuant to
division (E)(1) of this section, a court may require an offender
who violates this section to perform not less than thirty and not
more than one hundred twenty hours of supervised community service
work.

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