

## 2012 Kansas Statutes

**21-6205. Criminal desecration.** (a) Criminal desecration is:

- (1) Knowingly obtaining or attempting to obtain unauthorized control of a dead body or remains of any human being or the coffin, urn or other article containing a dead body or remains of any human being; or
- (2) recklessly, by means other than by fire or explosive:
  - (A) Damaging, defacing or destroying the flag, ensign or other symbol of the United States or this state in which another has a property interest without the consent of such other person;
  - (B) damaging, defacing or destroying any public monument or structure;
  - (C) damaging, defacing or destroying any tomb, monument, memorial, marker, grave, vault, crypt gate, tree, shrub, plant or any other property in a cemetery; or
  - (D) damaging, defacing or destroying any place of worship.

(b) Criminal desecration as defined in:

- (1) Subsections (a)(2)(B), (a)(2)(C) or (a)(2)(D) if the property is damaged to the extent of:
  - (A) \$25,000 or more is a severity level 7, nonperson felony;
  - (B) at least \$1,000 but less than \$25,000 is a severity level 9, nonperson felony; and
  - (C) less than \$1,000 is a class A nonperson misdemeanor; and
- (2) subsections (a)(1) or (a)(2)(A) is a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

**History:** L. 2010, ch. 136, § 183; L. 2011, ch. 30, § 47; July 1.