

## HB266 INTRODUCED



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3      By Representative Sells  
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4 SYNOPSIS:

5 Under existing law, a person commits the crime  
6 of reckless endangerment if he or she recklessly  
7 engages in conduct that creates a substantial risk of  
8 serious physical injury to another individual.

9 This bill would further provide for the offense  
10 of reckless endangerment by providing heightened  
11 criminal penalties for recklessly engaging in conduct  
12 that creates a substantial risk of serious physical  
13 injury to multiple individuals, and additional  
14 heightened penalties for the use of a firearm during  
15 the commission of the offense.

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18 A BILL

19 TO BE ENTITLED

20 AN ACT

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22 Relating to crimes and offenses; to amend Section  
23 13A-6-24, Code of Alabama 1975; to further provide for the  
24 crime of reckless endangerment; and to provide conditions for  
25 increased criminal penalties for a violation.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

27 Section 1. Section 13A-6-24, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
28 amended to read as follows:

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29 "§13A-6-24

30 (a) A person commits the crime of reckless endangerment  
31 if he or she does either of the following:

32 (1) recklessly Recklessly engages in conduct which that  
33 creates a substantial risk of serious physical injury to  
34 another person individual.

35 (2) Recklessly engages in conduct that creates a  
36 substantial risk of serious physical injury to multiple  
37 individuals.

38 (b) (1) Reckless endangerment A violation of subdivision  
39 (a) (1) is a Class A misdemeanor.

40 (2) a. Except as provided in paragraph b., a violation  
41 of subdivision (a) (2) is a Class C felony.

42 b. A violation of subdivision (a) (2) is a Class B  
43 felony if the person uses a deadly weapon or dangerous  
44 instrument in the commission of the offense."

45 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
46 1, 2026.