Public Law 107-71

AVIATION AND TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ACT

49 USC 46503 Interference with Security Screening Personnel

"When faced with a volatile, potentially violent passenger, agents should calmly explain that assaulting an airline agent is a federal crime, punishable by prison sentence of up to 10 years & fine of not more than \$250,000."

WHAT TO DO WHEN ASSAULTED

- 1. Protect yourself from the disruptive pax.
- 2. Try to diffuse the situation.
- 3. Cite the federal law and inform pax that you will notify law enforcement.
- 4. Notify your management.
- 5. If necessary, call appropriate law enforcement.
- 6. Document incident with the PNR and with your union rep.

