

**CHAPTER 131, Laws of 1979**

AN ACT to repeal 947.01 (2); to consolidate and amend 947.01 (intro.) and (1); and to create 947.012 of the statutes, relating to unlawful use of the telephone and providing a penalty.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 947.01 (intro.) and (1) of the statutes are consolidated and amended to read:

**947.01 Disorderly conduct.** Whoever ~~does any of the following is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.~~ (1) ~~In, in~~ a public or private place, engages in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud, or otherwise disorderly conduct under circumstances in which ~~such the~~ conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance; ~~or is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.~~

SECTION 2. 947.01 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 3. 947.012 of the statutes is created to read:

**947.012 Unlawful use of telephone.** Whoever does any of the following is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor:

(1) With intent to frighten, intimidate, threaten, abuse or harass, makes a telephone call and threatens to inflict injury or physical harm to any person or the property of any person.

(2) With intent to frighten, intimidate, threaten, abuse, harass or offend, telephones another and uses any obscene, lewd or profane language or suggests any lewd or lascivious act.

(3) Makes or causes the telephone of another repeatedly to ring, with intent to harass any person at the called number.

(4) Makes repeated telephone calls, whether or not conversation ensues, with intent solely to harass any person at the called number.

(5) Makes a telephone call, whether or not conversation ensues, without disclosing his or her identity and with intent to abuse, threaten or harass any person at the called number.

(6) Knowingly permits any telephone under his or her control to be used for any purpose prohibited by this section.

SECTION 4. **Cross reference changes.** In the sections of the statutes listed in Column A, the cross references shown in Column B are changed to the cross references shown in Column C:

A	B	C
Statute Sections	Old Cross References	New Cross References
66.051 (3)	947.01	947.01 or 947.012