



State of Wisconsin  
2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



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## 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 741

March 15, 2012 – Introduced by Representatives ROYS, BERCEAU, C. TAYLOR, TURNER and YOUNG, cosponsored by Senators LASSA and TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Election and Campaign Reform.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 12.09 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:** intimidation or  
2 harassment of recall petition signers.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill prohibits any person from intimidating or harassing another person because that person signs or is attempting to sign a recall petition. Violators are guilty of a Class I felony and may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than three years and six months, or both. No similar prohibition exists currently.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report concerning the proposed penalty and the costs or savings that are likely to result if the bill is enacted.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 12.09 (4) of the statutes is created to read:  
4 12.09 (4) No person may intimidate or harass another person because that  
5 person signs or is attempting to sign a recall petition.

6 (END)