2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 114

March 2, 2017 – Introduced by JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

AN ACT to amend 940.203 (1) (b) and 940.203 (1) (c); and to create 940.203 (1) (d) 3. of the statutes; relating to: battery of a tribal judge, tribal prosecutor, or tribal law enforcement officer and providing criminal penalties.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
This bill is explained in the NOTES provided by the Joint Legislative Council in the bill.

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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: Under current law, an individual who intentionally causes bodily harm or threatens to cause bodily harm to a current or former judge, prosecutor, or law enforcement officer, or to his or her family member, is guilty of a Class H felony. This bill adds tribal judges, tribal prosecutors, and tribal law enforcement officers to the definitions of judges, prosecutors, and law enforcement officers.

SECTION 1. 940.203 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

940.203 (1) (b) “Judge” means a person who currently is or who formerly was a supreme court justice, court of appeals judge, circuit court judge, municipal judge,
tribal judge, temporary or permanent reserve, judge, or circuit, supplemental, or municipal court commissioner.

SECTION 2. 940.203 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

940.203 (1) (c) “Law enforcement officer” has the meaning given in s. 102.475 (8) (c) and includes a person who formerly was a law enforcement officer under that definition means any person who currently is or was employed by the state, by any political subdivision, or as a tribal law enforcement officer for the purpose of detecting and preventing crime and enforcing laws or ordinances and who is authorized to make arrests for violations of the laws or ordinances the person is employed to enforce, whether that enforcement authority extends to all laws or ordinances or is limited to specific laws or ordinances.

SECTION 3. 940.203 (1) (d) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

940.203 (1) (d) 3. A tribal prosecutor.