



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 423

**Assembly
Amendment 1**

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Assembly Bill 423 extends the prohibitions under current s. 940.203, Stats., against battery or threats to judges and their families to also include district attorneys and their families.

The bill defines “district attorney” by incorporating the definition of that term in current s. 950.02 (2m), Stats. That definition and the relating clause of the bill resulted in uncertainty regarding who might be considered a district attorney under the bill. Assembly Amendment 1 addresses that uncertainty by specifying who is covered: a district attorney, a deputy district attorney, an assistant district attorney, or a special prosecutor appointed under s. 978.045, Stats.; the attorney general, a deputy attorney general, or an assistant attorney general, performing the duties of a district attorney.

Legislative History

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Molepske. The Assembly Committee on Judiciary and Ethics recommended adoption of the amendment by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 0. The committee recommended passage of the proposal, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 3.

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