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## AMENDMENT MEMO

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**2023 Senate Bill 402**

**Assembly Amendment 1**

### 2023 SENATE BILL 402

Under current law, a person who intentionally causes bodily harm to a person who he or she knows or has reason to know is or was a grand or petit juror, by reason of any verdict or indictment assented to by the person and without the consent of the person injured, is guilty of a Class H felony.

2023 Senate Bill 402 modifies this offense to include threatening to cause bodily harm. It also provides that the crime applies if a person, for a reason related to the juror's service as a juror, intentionally causes bodily harm to a person who he or she knows or has reason to know is a juror or to a member of the juror's family. For this purpose, "family member" is defined to mean "a spouse, child, stepchild, foster child, parent, sibling, or grandchild." Finally, the bill provides that a person who commits the crime of battery or threat to a juror is guilty of a Class I felony.

### ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 provides that a person who commits the crime of battery or threat to a juror is guilty of a Class H felony.

### BILL HISTORY

Representative Sortwell offered Assembly Amendment 1 on February 19, 2024. On February 20, 2024, the Assembly adopted the amendment and passed the bill, as amended, both on voice votes.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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