

State of Misconsin 2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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2019 SENATE BILL 767

January 30, 2020 – Introduced by Senators DARLING, JACQUE and WANGGAARD, cosponsored by Representatives KNODL, SANFELIPPO, ALLEN, DITTRICH, DUCHOW, EDMING, GUNDRUM, JAMES, KUGLITSCH, SKOWRONSKI and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

- 1 AN ACT to create 940.45 (7) of the statutes; relating to: intimidating a victim
 - of domestic abuse and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the crime of intimidating a crime victim is a Class A misdemeanor unless there are aggravating circumstances that increase the penalty to a Class G felony. Under this bill, the crime of intimidating a victim of a crime of domestic abuse is a Class G felony.

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.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 940.45 (7) of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 940.45 (7) Where the underlying crime is an act of domestic abuse, as defined
- 5 in s. 968.075 (1) (a), that constitutes the commission of a crime or a crime that,
- 6 following a conviction, is subject to the surcharge in s. 973.055.
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