



PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 **AN ACT to amend** 940.203 (3) (intro.), 940.203 (3) (a) and 940.203 (3) (b); and **to**
2 **create** 940.203 (1) (ab) of the statutes; **relating to:** battery or threat to an
3 officer of the court in a tribal proceeding and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill makes it a Class H felony to intentionally cause or threaten to cause bodily harm to an attorney, an individual representing the interests of a child, or an individual representing the interests of a tribe, or a family member of such an individual, if the harm or threat is in response to an action taken by that attorney or individual in his or her official capacity in a court proceeding under tribal law relating to child welfare, juvenile justice, guardianships, protective services, or an action affecting the family. Under current law, an identical crime already exists for harming or threatening to harm an attorney, guardian ad litem, or corporation counsel who is representing someone in a similar proceeding in state court.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 940.203 (1) (ab) of the statutes is created to read:

