



## 1997 SENATE BILL 142

March 26, 1997 - Introduced by Senators BURKE, BUETTNER, CLAUSING, DRZEWIECKI, FARROW, HUELSMAN, PLACHE, ROSENZWEIG, SCHULTZ and WELCH, cosponsored by Representatives RUTKOWSKI, AINSWORTH, BALDWIN, BOCK, BOYLE, COGGS, CULLEN, DOBYNS, DUFF, GUNDERSON, HAHN, HASENOHRL, LADWIG, F. LASEE, MUSSER, PLALE, RILEY, RYBA, SERATTI, TURNER, WALKER and WASSERMAN. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Campaign Finance Reform and Consumer Affairs.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 940.225 (1) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** sexual assaults  
2 causing substantial bodily harm.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, a sexual assault in which the actor uses or threatens force or violence is punishable as a Class BC felony. If the perpetrator of the sexual assault causes the victim great bodily harm, the crime is punishable as a Class B felony. This bill provides that it is also a Class B felony if the perpetrator of the sexual assault causes the victim substantial bodily harm. Substantial bodily harm includes injuries such as bone fractures, burns and concussions.

The maximum penalties for persons convicted of the crime classifications mentioned are:

<u>Crime Classification</u>	<u>Maximum Imprisonment</u>	<u>Maximum Fine</u>
Class BC felony	40 years	No fine option
Class B felony	20 years	\$10,000

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

3 SECTION 1. 940.225 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

