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2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 804

January 27, 2020 – Introduced by Representatives KNODL, SANFELIPPO, ALLEN, DITTRICH, DUCHOW, EDMING, GUNDRUM, JAMES, KUGLITSCH, SKOWRONSKI and WICHGERS, cosponsored by Senators DARLING, JACQUE and WANGGAARD. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

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:

940.45 **(7)** Where the underlying crime is an act of domestic abuse, as defined in s. 968.075 (1) (a), that constitutes the commission of a crime or a crime that, following a conviction, is subject to the surcharge in s. 973.055.

(END)