

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 480

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGAUGH.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 115, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the offense of tampering with an election official, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 115, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 115.638, to read as follows:

115.638. 1. A person commits the offense of tampering with an election official if, with the purpose to harass or intimidate an election official in the performance of such official's official duties, such person:

(1) Threatens or causes harm to such election official or members of such election official's family;

(2) Uses force, threats, or deception against or toward such election official or members of such election official's family;

(3) Attempts to induce, influence, or pressure an election official or members of an election official's family to violate the provisions of chapter 115;

(4) Engages in conduct reasonably calculated to harass or alarm such election official or such election official's family, including stalking pursuant to section 565.225 or 565.227; or

(5) Disseminates through any means, including by posting on the internet, the personal information of an election official or any member of an election official's family. For purposes of this section, "personal information" includes a home address, home telephone number, mobile telephone number, personal email address, Social Security number, federal tax identification number, checking and savings account

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 **numbers, credit card numbers, marital status, or identity of a child under eighteen years**
19 **of age.**

20 **2. For the purposes of this section, the term "election official" includes the**
21 **election authority for the county, election judges, and other volunteers or employees of**
22 **an election authority. The offense of tampering with an election official shall be a class**
23 **one election offense. If a violation of this section results in death or bodily injury to an**
24 **election official or a member of the official's family, the offense shall be a class B felony.**

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