

Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith without my approval as to one portion Substitute House Bill No. 270, entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to acupuncture;"

Section 5(2)(a) of this bill would require applicants for licensure as an acupuncturist to complete two years of college training in the general sciences and humanities before undertaking acupuncture training. While general education is certainly desirable, we must be careful not to impose any requirements on applicants that are not specifically related to their ability to practice competently. This two-year education requirement does not relate to competence, and neither does the requirement that it be completed before occupational training commences.

With the exception of Section 5(2)(a), Substitute House Bill No. 270 is approved."

CHAPTER 327

[House Bill No. 107]

INTIMIDATING A JUDGE—CLASS B FELONY—INTIMIDATING WITNESSES OR JURORS—REVISIONS

AN ACT Relating to interference with official proceedings; amending RCW 9A.72.110 and 9A.72.130; adding a new section to chapter 9A.72 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 9A.72 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of intimidating a judge if a person directs a threat to a judge because of a ruling or decision of the judge in any official proceeding, or if by use of a threat directed to a judge, a person attempts to influence a ruling or decision of the judge in any official proceeding.

(2) "Threat" as used in this section means:

(a) To communicate, directly or indirectly, the intent immediately to use force against any person who is present at the time; or

(b) Threats as defined in RCW 9A.04.110(25).

(3) Intimidating a judge is a class B felony.

Sec. 2. Section 9A.72.110, chapter 260, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 18, chapter 47, Laws of 1982 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9A.72.110 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of intimidating a witness if a person directs a threat to a former witness because of the witness' testimony in any official proceeding, or if, by use of a threat directed to a current witness or a person he has reason to believe is about to be called as a witness in any official proceeding or to a person whom he has reason to believe may have information relevant to a criminal investigation, he attempts to:

(a) Influence the testimony of that person; or

(b) Induce that person to elude legal process summoning him to testify;

or

(c) Induce that person to absent himself from such proceedings.

(2) "Threat" as used in this section means

(a) to communicate, directly or indirectly, the intent immediately to use force against any person who is present at the time; or

(b) threats as defined in RCW 9A.04.110(25).

(3) Intimidating a witness is a class B felony.

Sec. 3. Section 9A.72.130, chapter 260, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 9A.72.130 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of intimidating a juror if a person directs a threat to a former juror because of the juror's vote, opinion, decision, or other official action as a juror, or if, by use of a threat, he attempts to influence a juror's vote, opinion, decision, or other official action as a juror.

(2) "Threat" as used in this section means

(a) to communicate, directly or indirectly, the intent immediately to use force against any person who is present at the time; or

(b) threats as defined in RCW 9A.04.110(25).

(3) Intimidating a juror is a class B felony.

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CHAPTER 328

[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 957]

UNDERINSURED MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE

AN ACT Relating to insurance; and amending RCW 48.22.030.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 27, chapter 150, Laws of 1967 as last amended by section 1, chapter 182, Laws of 1983 and RCW 48.22.030 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) "Underinsured motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle with respect to the ownership, maintenance, or use of which either no bodily injury or property damage liability bond or insurance policy applies at the time of an accident, or with respect to which the sum of the limits of liability under all bodily injury or property damage liability bonds and insurance policies applicable to a covered person after an accident is less than the applicable damages which the covered person is legally entitled to recover.

(2) No new policy or renewal of an existing policy insuring against loss resulting from liability imposed by law for bodily injury, death, or property damage, suffered by any person arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle shall be issued with respect to any motor vehicle registered or principally garaged in this state unless coverage is provided