
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY PICCOLA, SWEET, HAGARTY, McVERRY, CIMINI, PRATT,
LEVIN, WOGAN AND KUKOVICH, JANUARY 24, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 24, 1984

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further defining the offense of
3 retaliation against witness or victim.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 4953 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 4953. Retaliation against witness or victim.

9 (a) Offense defined.--A person commits an offense if he
10 harms, attempts to harm or threatens to harm another by any
11 unlawful act in retaliation for anything lawfully done in the
12 capacity of witness or victim.

13 (b) Grading.--The offense is a felony of the third degree if
14 the retaliation is accomplished by any of the means specified in
15 section 4952(b)(1) through (5) (relating to intimidation of
16 witnesses or victims). Otherwise the offense is a misdemeanor of
17 the second degree.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.