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SENATE BILL NO. 821

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR HOUGH.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 575.095, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the courts, with an existing penalty provision.

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

Section A. Section 575.095, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 575.095, to read as follows:

575.095. 1. A person commits the offense of tampering with a judicial

- 2 officer if, with the purpose to harass, intimidate or influence a judicial officer in
- 3 the performance of such officer's official duties, such person:
- 4 (1) Threatens or causes harm to such judicial officer or members of such 5 judicial officer's family;
- 6 (2) Uses force, threats, or deception against or toward such judicial officer 7 or members of such judicial officer's family;
- 8 (3) Offers, conveys or agrees to convey any benefit direct or indirect upon 9 such judicial officer or such judicial officer's family;
- 10 (4) Engages in conduct reasonably calculated to harass or alarm such

judicial officer or such judicial officer's family, including stalking pursuant to

12 section 565.225 or 565.227.

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- 13 2. A judicial officer for purposes of this section shall be a judge, arbitrator,
- 14 special master, juvenile officer, deputy juvenile officer, state prosecuting or circuit
- 15 attorney, state assistant prosecuting or circuit attorney, juvenile court
- 16 commissioner, state probation or parole officer, [or] referee, or the attorney
- 17 general or his or her appointee authorized under section 27.020.
- 18 3. A judicial officer's family for purposes of this section shall be:
- 19 (1) Such officer's spouse; or

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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20 (2) Such officer or such officer's spouse's ancestor or descendant by blood 21 or adoption; or

22 (3) Such officer's stepchild, while the marriage creating that relationship

23 exists.

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4. The offense of tampering with a judicial officer is a class D felony.

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