

**BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLE REVISIONS**

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Daniel W. Thatcher**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies the Utah Criminal Code regarding influencing a judge or a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides that the offense of a threat or assault against a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole includes a threat or assault against a member of the immediate family of the board member; and
- ▶ includes the existing definition of immediate family.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**76-8-316**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 12

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **76-8-316** is amended to read:

**76-8-316. Influencing, impeding, or retaliating against a judge or member of the**



28 **Board of Pardons and Parole.**

29 (1) As used in this section:

30 (a) "Board member" means an appointed member of the Board of Pardons and Parole.

31 (b) "Immediate family" means parents, spouse, surviving spouse, children, and siblings  
32 of a judge or board member.

33 (c) "Judge" means judges of all courts of record and courts not of record and court  
34 commissioners.

35 ~~[(1)]~~ (2) A person is guilty of a third degree felony if the person threatens to assault,  
36 kidnap, or murder a judge ~~[or a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole]~~, a family member  
37 of a judge, a board member, or a family member of a board member with the intent to impede,  
38 intimidate, or interfere with the judge or board member ~~[of the board]~~ while engaged in the  
39 performance of the judge's or board member's official duties or with the intent to retaliate  
40 against the judge or board member on account of the performance of those official duties.

41 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) A person is guilty of a second degree felony if the person commits an assault  
42 on a judge ~~[or a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole]~~, a family member of a judge, a  
43 board member, or a family member of a board member with the intent to impede, intimidate, or  
44 interfere with the judge or board member ~~[of the board]~~ while engaged in the performance of  
45 the judge's or board member's official duties, or with the intent to retaliate against the judge or  
46 board member on account of the performance of those official duties.

47 ~~[(3)]~~ (4) A person is guilty of a first degree felony if the person commits aggravated  
48 assault or attempted murder on a judge ~~[or a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole]~~, a  
49 family member of a judge, a board member, or a family member of a board member with the  
50 ~~[purpose]~~ intent to impede, intimidate, or interfere with the judge or board member ~~[of the~~  
51 ~~board]~~ while engaged in the performance of the judge's or board member's official duties or  
52 with the ~~[purpose]~~ intent to retaliate against the judge or board member on account of the  
53 performance of those official duties.

54 ~~[(4) As used in this section:]~~

55 ~~[(a) "Immediate family" means parents, spouse, surviving spouse, children, and~~  
56 ~~siblings of the officer:]~~

57 ~~[(b) "Judge" means judges of all courts of record and courts not of record and court~~  
58 ~~commissioners:]~~

59           ~~[(c) "Judge or member" includes the members of the judge's or member's immediate~~  
60 ~~family:]~~

61           ~~[(d) "Member of the Board of Pardons and Parole" means appointed members of the~~  
62 ~~board:]~~

63           (5) A person is guilty of a first degree felony if the person commits attempted murder  
64 on a family member of a judge or a family member of a board member with the intent to  
65 impede, intimidate, or interfere with the judge or board member while engaged in the  
66 performance of the judge's or board member's official duties or with the intent to retaliate  
67 against the judge or board member on account of the performance of those official duties.

68           ~~[(5)]~~ (6) A member of the Board of Pardons and Parole is an executive officer for  
69 purposes of Subsection 76-5-202(1)(m).

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