

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0077

Simple assault and domestic assault-menacing.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Washut, Chestek, Crago,
Lawley, Niemiec and Rodriguez-Williams and
Senator(s) Ellis, Landen and Nethercott

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; amending simple
2 assault and domestic assault to include menacing or
3 threatening behavior; specifying applicability; and
4 providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-2-501(a) and 6-2-510(a) are amended
9 to read:

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11 **6-2-501. Simple assault; battery; penalties.**

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13 (a) A person is guilty of simple assault if if

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1 (i) Having the present ability to do so, he
2 unlawfully attempts to cause bodily injury to another; or

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4 (ii) He engages in any unlawful act or
5 threatening or menacing conduct that causes another person
6 to reasonably believe that the person is in danger of an
7 imminent battery.

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9 **6-2-510. Domestic assault.**

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11 (a) A household member is guilty of domestic assault
12 if: 7

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14 (i) Having the present ability to do so, he
15 unlawfully attempts to cause bodily injury to another
16 household member; or

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18 (ii) He engages in any unlawful act or
19 threatening or menacing conduct that causes another person
20 to reasonably believe that the person is in danger of an
21 imminent battery.

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1 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to all offenses of
2 simple assault or domestic assault committed and charged on
3 and after the effective date of this act.

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5 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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