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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2226)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 2, 2022)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to tampering with witnesses or jurors, and
- 2 providing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 720.4, Code 2022, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **720.4 Tampering with witnesses or jurors.**

4 A It shall be unlawful for a person who offers to offer any
5 bribe to any person who the offeror believes has been or may be
6 summoned as a witness or juror in any judicial or arbitration
7 proceeding, or any legislative hearing, ~~or who makes to make~~
8 any threats toward such person or ~~who~~ forcibly or fraudulently
9 ~~detains~~ detain or ~~restrains~~ restrain such person, with the
10 intent to improperly influence such witness or juror with
11 respect to the witness' or juror's testimony or decision in
12 such case, or to prevent such person from testifying or serving
13 in such case, or ~~who~~, in retaliation for anything lawfully done
14 by any witness or juror in any case, ~~harasses~~ to harass such
15 witness or juror~~r~~. A person who violates this section commits
16 ~~an aggravated misdemeanor~~ a class "D" felony.