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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 35-31.5-2-234.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 234.5. (a) "Personal information"**
4 **means information or a combination of information, regardless of**
5 **whether the information is publicly available, that consists of two**
6 **(2) or more of the following:**
7 (1) **The individual's name.**
8 (2) **The individual's Social Security number.**
9 (3) **The address of the individual's residence or any other**
10 **real property owned by the individual.**
11 (4) **A legal name previously used by the individual.**
12 (5) **The individual's telephone number.**
13 (6) **The name or address of the individual's employer.**
14 (7) **The name or address of a location that the individual:**
15 (A) **has frequently visited in the past; and**
16 (B) **is likely to visit in the future.**
17 (b) **The term does not include the address of real property**

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1 provided on a real estate or mapping platform if the address is not
2 displayed or disclosed in connection with any information
3 identifying the owner or occupant of the real property.

4 SECTION 2. IC 35-31.5-2-239.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
5 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
6 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 239.5. "Post" means to deliver,**
7 **disseminate, or transmit information, regardless of whether the**
8 **information transmitted is an audio file, a video, an image, or in a**
9 **text format, to more than one (1) person through a social media**
10 **platform.**

11 SECTION 3. IC 35-31.5-2-306.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
12 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
13 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 306.8. "Social media platform"**
14 **means a website or application that:**

- 15 (1) is open to the public;
- 16 (2) allows users to create accounts;
- 17 (3) enables users to communicate or interact with other
- 18 users;
- 19 (4) permits users to create or post content, messages,
- 20 information, or images that are viewable by other users; and
- 21 (5) permits users to comment on or message other users
- 22 regarding such content, messages, information, or images.

23 SECTION 4. IC 35-45-2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.5-2022,
24 SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
25 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 1. (a) A person who communicates a threat with
26 the intent:

- 27 (1) that another person engage in conduct against the other
- 28 person's will;
- 29 (2) that another person be placed in fear of retaliation for a prior
- 30 lawful act;
- 31 (3) of:
 - 32 (A) causing:
 - 33 (i) a dwelling, a building, or other structure; or
 - 34 (ii) a vehicle;
 - 35 to be evacuated; or
 - 36 (B) interfering with the occupancy of:
 - 37 (i) a dwelling, building, or other structure; or
 - 38 (ii) a vehicle; or
- 39 (4) that another person be placed in fear that the threat will be
- 40 carried out, if the threat is a threat described in:
 - 41 (A) subsection ~~(c)(1)~~ through ~~(c)(5)~~; **(c)(1)(A) through**
 - 42 **(c)(1)(E); or**

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1 (B) subsection ~~(c)(7)~~ through ~~(c)(8)~~; **(c)(1)(G) through**
 2 **(c)(1)(H)**;
 3 commits intimidation, a Class A misdemeanor.
 4 (b) However, the offense is a:
 5 (1) Level 6 felony if:
 6 (A) the threat is to commit a forcible felony;
 7 (B) the subject of the threat or the person to whom the
 8 threat is communicated is a witness (or the spouse or child
 9 of a witness) in any pending criminal proceeding against the
 10 person making the threat;
 11 (C) the threat is communicated because of the occupation,
 12 profession, employment status, or ownership status of a
 13 person or the threat relates to or is made in connection with
 14 the occupation, profession, employment status, or
 15 ownership status of a person;
 16 (D) the person has a prior unrelated conviction for an
 17 offense under this section concerning the same victim; or
 18 (E) the threat is communicated using property, including
 19 electronic equipment or systems, of a school corporation or
 20 other governmental entity; and
 21 (2) Level 5 felony if:
 22 (A) while committing it, the person draws or uses a deadly
 23 weapon;
 24 (B) the subject of the threat or the person to whom the
 25 threat is communicated:
 26 (i) is a judicial officer or bailiff of any court; ~~or~~
 27 (ii) is a prosecuting attorney or a deputy prosecuting
 28 attorney; **or**
 29 **(iii) is a member of the general assembly;**
 30 and the threat relates to the person's status as a judicial
 31 officer, bailiff, prosecuting attorney, ~~or~~ deputy prosecuting
 32 attorney, **or member of the general assembly**, or is made
 33 in connection with the official duties of the judicial officer,
 34 bailiff, prosecuting attorney, ~~or~~ deputy prosecuting attorney,
 35 **or member of the general assembly;** or
 36 (C) the threat is:
 37 (i) to commit terrorism; or
 38 (ii) made in furtherance of an act of terrorism.
 39 (c) "Threat" means:
 40 **(1)** an expression, by words or action, of an intention to:
 41 ~~(A)~~ **(A)** unlawfully injure the person threatened or another
 42 person, or damage property;

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- 1 ~~(2)~~ **(B)** unlawfully subject a person to physical confinement
- 2 or restraint;
- 3 ~~(3)~~ **(C)** commit a crime;
- 4 ~~(4)~~ **(D)** unlawfully withhold official action, or cause such
- 5 withholding;
- 6 ~~(5)~~ **(E)** unlawfully withhold testimony or information with
- 7 respect to another person's legal claim or defense, except for
- 8 a reasonable claim for witness fees or expenses;
- 9 ~~(6)~~ **(F)** expose the person threatened to hatred, contempt,
- 10 disgrace, or ridicule;
- 11 ~~(7)~~ **(G)** falsely harm the credit or business reputation of a
- 12 person; or
- 13 ~~(8)~~ **(H)** cause the evacuation of a dwelling, a building,
- 14 another structure, or a vehicle. For purposes of this
- 15 subdivision, the term includes an expression that would
- 16 cause a reasonable person to consider the evacuation of a
- 17 dwelling, a building, another structure, or a vehicle, even if
- 18 the dwelling, building, structure, or vehicle is not
- 19 evacuated; **or**
- 20 **(2) posting personal information of a person with the intent**
- 21 **that the posting of the personal information will result in:**
- 22 **(A) bodily injury to the person;**
- 23 **(B) damage to the person's property; or**
- 24 **(C) the commission of a crime against the person.**

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