

1 SENATE BILL

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING THE CRIME OF INTIMIDATION TO  
12 INCLUDE ACTS AGAINST ELECTION OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES AND  
13 AGENTS OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, COUNTY CLERKS AND MUNICIPAL  
14 CLERKS.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 1-20-14 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,  
18 Chapter 240, Section 438) is amended to read:

19 "1-20-14. INTIMIDATION.--Intimidation consists of  
20 inducing or attempting to induce fear in the secretary of  
21 state, a county clerk, a municipal clerk or any employee or  
22 agent of the secretary of state, employee or agent of a county  
23 clerk, employee or agent of a municipal clerk, member of [a  
24 precinct] an election board, voter, challenger or watcher by  
25 use of or threatened use of force, violence, infliction of

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1 damage, harm or loss, or any form of economic retaliation upon  
2 the secretary of state, a county clerk, a municipal clerk or  
3 any [~~voter, precinct board~~] employee or agent of the secretary  
4 of state, employee or agent of a county clerk, employee or  
5 agent of a municipal clerk, member of an election board, voter,  
6 challenger or watcher for the purpose of impeding or preventing  
7 the free exercise of the elective franchise or the impartial  
8 administration of the election or Election Code.

9 Whoever commits intimidation is guilty of a fourth degree  
10 felony."

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