

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 906

Approved by the Governor April 18, 1994

Introduced by Hudkins, 21; Bohlke, 33; Jones, 43; Lindsay, 9; Pedersen, 39;  
Robak, 22; Schimek, 27; Schmitt, 41

AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-919, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to provide for tampering with a witness or informant in civil actions; to change and eliminate provisions relating to jury tampering; to provide a penalty; and to repeal the original section, and also section 28-921, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 28-919, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

28-919. (1) A person commits ~~an offense~~ the offense of tampering with a witness or informant if, believing that an official proceeding or investigation of a criminal or civil matter is pending or about to be instituted, he or she attempts to induce or otherwise cause a witness, ~~or juror, or informant~~ to:

- (a) Testify or inform falsely; or
- (b) Withhold any testimony, information, document, or thing; or
- (c) Elude legal process summoning him or her to testify or supply evidence; or
- (d) Absent himself or herself from any proceeding or investigation to which he or she has been legally summoned.

(2) ~~A person commits the offense of jury tampering if, with intent to influence a juror's vote, opinion, decision, or other action in a case, he or she attempts directly or indirectly to communicate with a juror other than as a part of the proceedings in the trial of the case.~~

~~(2) (3) Tampering with witnesses, informants, and jurors or informants is a Class IV felony. Jury tampering is a Class IV felony.~~

Sec. 2. That original section 28-919, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and also section 28-921, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.