



SPONSOR: Rep. Griffith & Rep. Spiegelman

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO
HOUSE BILL NO. 440

1 AMEND House Bill No. 440 on line 8 by deleting “strangulation and suffocation” after “section,” and inserting in
2 lieu thereof the following: “strangulation or suffocation”.

3 FURTHER AMEND House Bill No. 440 by deleting line 14 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the
4 following: “~~e. The person has been previously convicted of strangulation.~~ [Repealed]”.

5 FURTHER AMEND House Bill No. 440 by deleting lines 15 through 17 and inserting in lieu thereof the
6 following:

7 “d. The person was subject to an existing court order prohibiting contact with the victim at the time of the
8 offense; or

9 e. The person committed the offense against a pregnant female; or

10 f. The person committed the offense against a child.”.

SYNOPSIS

This Amendment deletes a previous conviction for strangulation as an aggravating factor for determining the penalty for a conviction for strangulation or suffocation and adds as an aggravator to elevate the crime to a Class B felony if the offense was committed against a child. This Amendment also removes repetitive language.