

**House Bill 4207**

**Sponsor: Rep. Steve Vear**

**Committee: Criminal Justice**

**Complete to 4-12-01**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4207 AS INTRODUCED 2-13-01**

The bill would amend sections of the Penal Code (MCL 750.81 and 750.81a) which prescribe the penalties for various domestic assault offenses, to increase the penalties for certain domestic violence crimes, as follows:

- Simple assault-domestic (first offense) is currently a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in prison, a fine of up to \$500, or both. Under the bill, the penalty would be increased to one year in prison, a fine of up to \$500, or both.
- Simple assault-domestic with one previous conviction may currently be punished by up to one year in prison, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both. Under the bill, the offense would be a felony, punishable by two years in prison,
- Simple assault-domestic with two or more previous convictions is a felony punishable by up to two years in prison, a fine of up to \$2,500, or both. Under the bill, the penalty would be increased to three years in prison, a fine of up to \$2,500, or both.
- Aggravated assault-domestic (first offense) is a misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in prison, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both. Under the bill, the offense would be a felony, punishable by two years in prison, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both.
- Aggravated assault-domestic with one or more previous convictions is a felony, punishable by up to two years in prison, a fine of up to \$2,500, or both. Under the bill, the penalty would be increased to three years in prison, a fine of up to \$2,500, or both.

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