

HOUSE BILL NO. 457

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO ASSAULT; PROVIDING THAT AN  
ASSAULT IS COMMITTED WHEN A PERSON PROVIDES CERTAIN DRUGS TO ANOTHER PERSON  
WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT; AND AMENDING SECTION 45-5-201, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:45-5-201

**Section 1.** Section 45-5-201, MCA, is amended to read:

**"45-5-201. Assault.** (1) A person commits the offense of assault if the person:

- (a) purposely or knowingly causes bodily injury to another;
- (b) negligently causes bodily injury to another with a weapon;
- (c) purposely or knowingly makes physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with any

individual; ~~or~~

- (d) purposely or knowingly causes reasonable apprehension of bodily injury in another; or

(e) purposely or knowingly provides an individual with rohypnol, flunitrazolam, ~~or gamma-hydroxybutyrate, or a mind-altering substance, including prescription medication medications, or another drug, without the individual's consent.~~

(2) A person convicted of assault shall be fined not to exceed \$500 or be imprisoned in the county jail for any term not to exceed 6 months, or both."

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