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Criminal Code Amendment (Witness Intimidation) Bill 2002  
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for  
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# NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. of 2002

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[Assented to 2002]

[Second reading 2002]

**The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:**

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Criminal Code Amendment (Witness Intimidation) Act 2002*.

**2. Commencement**

This Act comes into operation on the date fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

**3. New section**

The Criminal Code is amended by inserting after section 103 the following:

**"103A. Intimidation of witnesses**

"(1) Any person who –

(a) menaces or intimidates another person;

(b) threatens to do any injury or cause any detriment of any kind to another person; or

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- (c) does any injury or causes any detriment of any kind to another person,

because that other person has appeared, or has been called or may be called to appear, as a witness in any judicial proceeding is guilty of a crime and is liable to imprisonment for 7 years.

"(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), a person may cause detriment to another person –

- (a) by menacing or intimidating a third person;
  - (b) by threatening to do any injury or cause any detriment of any kind to a third person; or
  - (c) by doing any injury or causing any detriment of any kind to a third person."
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