
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to
Original House Bill No. 918 by Representative Kerner

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "through" and before the comma "," change "50" to "49"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 8, after "through" and before the comma "," change "50" to "49"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 1, line 11, after "the" delete the remainder of the line and insert "publication or
7 expression with actual malice in any manner, to"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 1, line 12, after "of" and before "which" change "anything" to "any false statement"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 5

11 On page 2, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

12 "C. For the purposes of this Subpart, "actual malice" means a defamatory
13 statement made by a person with knowledge that the statement was false."

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 2, delete lines 3 through 23 in their entirety

16 AMENDMENT NO. 7

17 On page 2, at the beginning of line 24, change "§50." to "§48."

18 AMENDMENT NO. 8

19 On page 3, after line 7, add the following:

20 "§49. Truth as a defense
21 It shall be a defense to prosecution under this Subpart that the statement or
22 statements that were published or expressed are true."