

REFERENCE TITLE: court witness; arrest; prohibited

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# **SB 1227**

Introduced by  
Senators Quezada: Terán; Representatives Andrade, Hernandez M

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 12-2213, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO WITNESSES.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 12-2213, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4       12-2213. Privilege from arrest; exception; definition

5       A. A witness ~~shall be~~ IS privileged from arrest, except ~~for~~  
6 ~~treason, felony and breach of the peace~~ IF THE ARREST IS SUPPORTED BY A  
7 SIGNED JUDICIAL WARRANT OR ORDER, during ~~his~~ THE WITNESS'S attendance at  
8 court, and in going to and returning ~~therefrom~~ FROM COURT, allowing one  
9 day for each twenty-five miles from ~~his~~ THE WITNESS'S place of abode.

10     B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "WITNESS":

11       1. MEANS A PERSON WHO IS A PARTY, WITNESS OR POTENTIAL WITNESS IN  
12 THE WITNESS'S COURT ACTION.

13       2. INCLUDES A FAMILY MEMBER OF THE PERSON OR A PERSON WHO RESIDES  
14 IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD AS THE PERSON WHO IS A PARTY, WITNESS OR POTENTIAL  
15 WITNESS.