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Chapter No.: 64

Prime Sponsor: Kirkbride

Catch Title: **Jury procedure amendments.**

Subject: Amending provisions for juror excusal, exemption and discharge.

Summary/Major Elements:

- In 2019, the Legislature passed a bill that amended various jury procedures in anticipation of the use of electronic-juror systems.
- The act clarifies that, for purposes of juror excusal, a person has "served on a jury" when the person has been selected as a juror and sworn in.
- The act clarifies the process for a person seeking an exemption from jury service; instead of a sworn affidavit, the person must submit a declaration under penalty of perjury that states his grounds for an exemption.

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