

**COERCION OF MARRIED WOMAN BY HUSBAND**  
**Act 85 of 1935**

AN ACT to abrogate the common law rule raising a presumption that a married woman committing an offense does so under coercion because she commits it in the presence of her husband.

**History:** 1935, Act 85, Eff. Sept. 21, 1935.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**780.401 Presumption of coercion by husband prohibited.**

Sec. 1. In the prosecution of any complaint or indictment charging a criminal offense, no presumption shall be indulged that a married woman committing an offense does so under coercion because she commits it in the presence of her husband.

**History:** 1935, Act 85, Eff. Sept. 21, 1935;—CL 1948, 780.401;—Am. 1990, Act 220, Imd. Eff. Oct. 8, 1990.

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