

**Assembly Bill No. 87**

CHAPTER 115

An act to amend Section 231.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to jurors.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 87, Mark Stone. Jurors: peremptory challenge.

Existing law prohibits a party from using a peremptory challenge to remove a prospective juror on the basis of an assumption that the prospective juror is biased merely because of his or her race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, or similar grounds.

This bill would also prohibit a party from using a peremptory challenge to remove a prospective juror on the basis of ethnic group identification, age, genetic information, or disability.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 231.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure is amended to read:

231.5. A party shall not use a peremptory challenge to remove a prospective juror on the basis of an assumption that the prospective juror is biased merely because of a characteristic listed or defined in Section 11135 of the Government Code, or similar grounds.