609.385 TREASON.

Subdivision 1. **Definition.** "Levying war" includes an act of war or an insurrection of several persons with intent to prevent, by force and intimidation, the execution of a statute of the state, or to force its repeal. It does not include either a conspiracy to commit an act of war or a single instance of resistance for a private purpose to the execution of a law.

Subd. 2. **Acts constituting.** Any person owing allegiance to this state who does either of the following is guilty of treason against this state and shall be sentenced to life imprisonment:

(1) levies war against this state; or

(2) adheres to the enemies of this state, giving them aid and comfort.

Subd. 3. **Testimony required.** No person shall be convicted of treason except on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on the person's confession in open court.

History: *1963 c 753 art 1 s 609.385; 1986 c 444*