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2013-2014 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 16, 2013

Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to female genital mutilation

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 130.85 of the penal law, as added by chapter 618 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

1. A person is guilty of female genital mutilation when:

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- (a) a person knowingly circumcises, excises, or infibulates the whole or any part of the labia majora or labia minora or clitoris of another person who has not reached eighteen years of age; [or]
- 7 (b) being a parent, guardian or other person legally responsible and 8 charged with the care or custody of a child less than eighteen years 9 old, he or she knowingly consents to the circumcision, excision or infi10 bulation of whole or part of such child's labia majora or labia minora or clitoris[.]; OR
- 12 (C) A PERSON KNOWINGLY REMOVES OR CAUSES OR PERMITS THE REMOVAL OF A 13 PERSON LESS THAN EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD FROM THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF 14 CIRCUMCISING, EXCISING, OR INFIBULATING, THE WHOLE OR ANY PART OF THE 15 LABIA MAJORA OR LABIA MINORA OR CLITORIS OF SUCH PERSON.
- 16 S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 17 have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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