S T A T E O F N E W Y O R K

5605

2011-2012 Regular Sessions

I N S E N A T E

June 6, 2011

Introduced by Sens. GRIFFO, ZELDIN -- 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 extending the buffer zone around a religious service, funeral, burial or memorial service

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

Section 1. The opening paragraph of section 240.21 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 566 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

A person is guilty of disruption or disturbance of a religious service, funeral, burial or memorial service when he or she makes unreasonable noise or disturbance while at a lawfully assembled religious service, funeral, burial or memorial service, or within [one] THREE hundred feet thereof, with intent to cause annoyance or alarm or recklessly creating a risk thereof.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

LBD10972-02-1