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IN SENATE

January 21, 2014

Introduced by Sen. LARKIN -- 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 elevating an assault of a utility worker in the second degree to a class D felony

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 120.05 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 259 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

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3. With intent to prevent a peace officer, a police officer, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, a firefighter, including a firefighter acting as a paramedic or emergency medical technician administering first aid in the course of performance of duty as such firefighter, an emergency medical service paramedic or emergency medical service technician, or medical or related personnel in a hospital emergency department, a city marshal, a traffic enforcement [or], traffic enforcement agent OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY ENTITY GOVERNED BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE LAW IN THE COURSE OF PERFORMING AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE, from performing a lawful duty, by means including releasing or control an animal under circumstances evincing the actor's intent that the animal obstruct the lawful activity of such peace subdivision thirty-one of police officer, prosecutor as defined in section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, firefighter, paramedic, technician, city marshal, enforcement officer or traffic enforcement agent, he or she causes physical injury to such peace officer, police officer, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, firefighter, paramedic, technician or medical or related personnel in a hospital emergency department,

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

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l city marshal, traffic enforcement officer [or], traffic enforcement 2 agent OR EMPLOYEE OF AN ENTITY GOVERNED BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE LAW; or

3 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-4 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.