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Introduced by Sen. SERINO -- 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 public lewdness; to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to designating public lewdness in the first degree as an offense which results in permanent disqualification as a bus driver; and to amend the correction law, in relation to designating public lewdness in the first degree as a sex offense for purposes of the sex offender registration

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 3 of section 65.00 of the  
2     penal law, as amended by chapter 568 of the laws of 2004, is amended to  
3     read as follows:  
4     (c) For a class B misdemeanor, the period of probation shall be one  
5     year, except the period of probation shall be no less than one year and  
6     no more than three years for the class B misdemeanor of public lewdness  
7     IN THE FOURTH DEGREE as defined in section 245.00 of this chapter;  
8     S 2. Section 245.00 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 748 of the  
9     laws of 1968, is amended to read as follows:  
10    S 245.00 Public lewdness IN THE FOURTH DEGREE.  
11    A person is guilty of public lewdness IN THE FOURTH DEGREE when he OR  
12    SHE intentionally exposes the private or intimate parts of his OR HER  
13    body in a lewd manner or commits any other lewd act (a) in a public  
14    place, or (b) in private premises under circumstances in which he OR SHE  
15    may readily be observed from either a public place or from other private  
16    premises, and with intent that he OR SHE be so observed.  
17    Public lewdness IN THE FOURTH DEGREE is a class B misdemeanor.  
18    S 3. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 245.04 to read  
19    as follows:  
20    S 245.04 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE THIRD DEGREE.

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

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1 A PERSON IS GUILTY OF PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE THIRD DEGREE WHEN HE OR  
2 SHE INTENTIONALLY EXPOSES THE PRIVATE OR INTIMATE PARTS OF HIS OR HER  
3 BODY IN A LEWD MANNER OR COMMITS ANY OTHER LEWD ACT (A) IN A PUBLIC  
4 PLACE, OR (B) IN A PRIVATE PREMISES UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH HE OR  
5 SHE MAY READILY BE OBSERVED FROM EITHER A PUBLIC PLACE OR FROM OTHER  
6 PRIVATE PREMISES, AND WITH THE INTENT THAT HE OR SHE BE OBSERVED WHEN  
7 THE OFFENSE IS COMMITTED FOR THE PURPOSE, IN WHOLE OR SUBSTANTIAL PART,  
8 OF HIS OR HER OWN SEXUAL GRATIFICATION.

9 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE THIRD DEGREE IS A CLASS A MISDEMEANOR.

10 S 4. The penal law is amended by adding two new sections 245.06 and  
11 245.09 to read as follows:

12 S 245.06 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE SECOND DEGREE.

13 A PERSON IS GUILTY OF PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE SECOND DEGREE WHEN HE OR  
14 SHE COMMITS THE CRIME OF PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE THIRD DEGREE, AS DEFINED  
15 IN SECTION 245.04 OF THIS ARTICLE, AND HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONVICTED OF  
16 SUCH CRIME WITHIN THE PRECEDING TEN YEARS.

17 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE SECOND DEGREE IS A CLASS E FELONY.

18 S 245.09 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

19 A PERSON IS GUILTY OF PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE FIRST DEGREE WHEN HE OR  
20 SHE COMMITS THE CRIME OF PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE THIRD DEGREE, AS DEFINED  
21 IN SECTION 245.04 OF THIS ARTICLE, AND SUCH CRIME IS COMMITTED AT A TIME  
22 OR PLACE WHERE A CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF FOURTEEN IS LIKELY TO BE PRES-  
23 ENT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, IT IS NOT NECESSARY THAT SUCH CHILD  
24 IS ACTUALLY PRESENT OR WITNESSES ACTS PROHIBITED UNDER THIS SECTION.

25 PUBLIC LEWDNESS IN THE FIRST DEGREE IS A CLASS D FELONY.

26 S 5. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 509-cc of the vehicle  
27 and traffic law, as amended by chapter 400 of the laws of 2011, is  
28 amended to read as follows:

29 (b) The offenses referred to in subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (a) of  
30 subdivision one and paragraph (b) of subdivision two of this section  
31 that result in permanent disqualification shall include a conviction  
32 under sections 100.13, 105.15, 105.17, 115.08, 120.12, 120.70, 125.10,  
33 125.11, 130.40, 130.53, 130.60, 130.65-a, 135.20, 160.15, 220.18,  
34 220.21, 220.39, 220.41, 220.43, 220.44, 230.25, 245.04, 245.06, 245.09,  
35 260.00, 265.04 of the penal law or an attempt to commit any of the afor-  
36 esaid offenses under section 110.00 of the penal law, or any offenses  
37 committed under a former section of the penal law which would constitute  
38 violations of the aforesaid sections of the penal law, or any offenses  
39 committed outside this state which would constitute violations of the  
40 aforesaid sections of the penal law.

41 S 6. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section  
42 168-a of the correction law, as amended by chapter 405 of the laws of  
43 2008, is amended to read as follows:

44 (i) a conviction of or a conviction for an attempt to commit any of  
45 the provisions of sections 120.70, 130.20, 130.25, 130.30, 130.40,  
46 130.45, 130.60, 230.34, 245.09, 250.50, 255.25, 255.26 and 255.27 or  
47 article two hundred sixty-three of the penal law, or section 135.05,  
48 135.10, 135.20 or 135.25 of such law relating to kidnapping offenses,  
49 provided the victim of such kidnapping or related offense is less than  
50 seventeen years old and the offender is not the parent of the victim, or  
51 section 230.04, where the person patronized is in fact less than seven-  
52 teen years of age, 230.05 or 230.06, or subdivision two of section  
53 230.30, or section 230.32 or 230.33 of the penal law, or

54 S 7. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
55 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.