STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

January 11, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. GANTT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to criminal impersonation of a certified first responder, an emergency medical technician, an advanced emergency medical technician, or a firefighter

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 190.25 of the penal law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:

5. Pretends to be a police officer, certified first responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or firefighter without any actual or implied authority to do so.

§ 2. Subdivision 1 of section 190.26 of the penal law, as amended by chapter 434 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

1. Pretends to be a police officer [~~or a~~], federal law enforcement officer as enumerated in section 2.15 of the criminal procedure law, **certified first responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or firefighter,** or wears or displays without authority, any uniform, badge or other insignia or facsimile thereof, by which such police officer [~~or~~], federal law enforcement officer**, certified first responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or firefighter** is lawfully distinguished**;** or expresses by his or her words or actions that he or she is acting with the approval or authority of any police department or acting as a federal law enforcement officer with the approval of any agency that employs federal law enforcement officers as enumerated in section 2.15 of the criminal procedure law; and

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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