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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. CUSICK, TITONE, MALLIOTAKIS, ABINANTI, CURRAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to prohibiting the dissemination of an image of a crime victim by public servants

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

- 1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Caroline's 2 Law".
- 3 \S 2. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 250.70 to read 4 as follows:
- 5 <u>§ 250.70 Dissemination of an image of a crime victim.</u>
- 1. A person is guilty of dissemination of an image of a crime victim 6 7 where (a) the person is a public servant or is performing the duties of 8 a public servant in responding to an emergency call; (b) while in the 9 course of his or her official duties, records a still image or motion 10 picture of a crime victim; and (c) intentionally broadcasts or publishes 11 such images or motion pictures outside of the course of conduct of the public servant's official duties; except, that nothing herein shall be 12 13 construed to impair or diminish the right to use such images or motion 14 pictures for official training purposes.
- 2. For purposes of this section:
- 16 <u>(a) "Broadcast" means electronically transmitting a visual image with</u>
 17 <u>the intent that it be viewed by a person.</u>
- 18 (b) "Disseminate" means to give, provide, lend, deliver, mail, send,
 19 forward, transfer or transmit, electronically or otherwise to another
 20 person.
- 21 (c) "Publish" means to (i) post, present, display, exhibit, circulate, 22 advertise or allow access, electronically or otherwise, so as to make an 23 image or images available to the public; or (ii) disseminate with the 24 intent that an image or images be posted, presented, displayed, exhib-

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

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- 1 <u>ited, circulated, advertised or made accessible, electronically or</u>
 2 <u>otherwise and to make such image or images available to the public.</u>
 - Dissemination of an image of a crime victim is a class A misdemeanor.
- 4 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 5 it shall have become a law.