

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

June 15, 2018

Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to establishing the crime of misrepresentation by, or on behalf of, a caregiver for children

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 "Lulu and Leo's
2 law".

3 § 2. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 260.35 to read
4 as follows:

5 § 260.35 Misrepresentation by, or on behalf of, a caregiver for a child
6 or children.

7 1. A person is guilty of misrepresentation by, or on behalf of, a
8 caregiver for a child or children when he or she:

9 (a) intentionally makes a false written statement about himself,
10 herself, or another person while he or she, or such other person, is
11 being considered for employment, or while under employment as a caregiv-
12 er to a parent or guardian of a child or children, or the agent of a
13 parent or guardian, and

14 (b) such statement contains a materially false representation regard-
15 ing the caregiver's background related to the ability to safely care for
16 a child or children, and

17 (c) a reasonable person would have relied upon such statement in
18 making an employment decision.

19 2. For the purposes of this section, "caregiver" shall mean a person
20 employed by or being considered for employment to provide fifteen or
21 more hours of care per week to a child or children in the home of such
22 child or children or in the home of such caregiver, provided that such
23 term shall not apply to a child day care provider required to be
24 licensed pursuant to the social services law.

25 Misrepresentation by, or on behalf of, a caregiver for a child or
26 children is a class A misdemeanor, provided that the authorized term of
27 imprisonment shall not exceed six months.

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

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1 § 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
2 have become a law.