

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

August 17, 2020

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Reilly) --
read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to stalking a police officer,
peace officer, correction officer or firefighter

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

1 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 120.65 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 120.65 Stalking a police officer, peace officer, correction officer or
4 firefighter.

5 A person is guilty of stalking a police officer, peace officer,
6 correction officer or firefighter when he or she intentionally selects
7 the person against whom the offense is committed or intended to be
8 committed in whole or in substantial part because of a belief or percep-
9 tion regarding the employment of such person or such person's immediate
10 family member as a police officer, peace officer, correction officer or
11 firefighter, and with intent to harass, annoy or alarm such person,
12 intentionally engages in a course of conduct directed at such person
13 which is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear physical injury
14 or serious physical injury, the commission of a sex offense against, or
15 the kidnapping, unlawful imprisonment or death of such person or a
16 member of such person's immediate family. Such course of conduct may be
17 conducted in person or electronically, including but not limited to, the
18 use of a social media network.

19 Stalking a police officer, peace officer, correction officer or fire-
20 fighter is a class A misdemeanor.

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

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

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