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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 14, 2019

Introduced by Sens. SERINO, RANZENHOFER, SEWARD, TEDISCO -- 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 penalties for promotion of a suicide attempt

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

- Section 1. Section 120.30 of the penal law is amended to read as 2 follows:
- § 120.30 Promoting a suicide attempt.
- A person is guilty of promoting a suicide attempt when:
- 5 (a) he or she intentionally causes or aids another person to attempt 6 suicide; or
- 7 (b) he or she endangers the welfare of an incompetent, a vulnerable 8 elderly person or a physically disabled person as set forth in section 9 260.25, 260.32 or 260.34 of this chapter and such conduct significantly 10 contributed to the victim's suicide attempt.
- Promoting a suicide attempt is a class E felony. 11
- 12 § 2. Section 125.15 of the penal law is amended to read as follows:
- 13 § 125.15 Manslaughter in the second degree.
- 14 A person is guilty of manslaughter in the second degree when:
- 15 1. He or she recklessly causes the death of another person; or
- 2. He or she commits upon a female an abortional act which causes her 16 death, unless such abortional act is justifiable pursuant to subdivision 17 three of section 125.05; or 18
- 19 3. He or she intentionally causes or aids another person to commit 20 suicide; or
- 21 4. He or she endangers the welfare of an incompetent, a vulnerable 22 elderly person, or a physically disabled person as set forth in section
- 260.25, 260.32 or 260.34 of this chapter and such conduct significantly 24 contributed to the victim's suicide.

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- 25 Manslaughter in the second degree is a class C felony.
- 26 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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