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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to reporting a nonemergency
incident to an organization having the function of dealing with emer-
gencies

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 240.49 to
2 read as follows:
3 § 240.49 Reporting a nonemergency incident.
4 A person is guilty of reporting a nonemergency incident when, knowing
5 the information reported, conveyed or circulated to be a nonemergency
6 situation, he or she initiates or circulates a report or warning to an
7 official or quasi-official agency or organization having the function of
8 dealing with emergencies involving danger to life or property of an
9 alleged occurrence or impending occurrence of a nonemergency situation
10 in which it is unlikely that a threat to public safety will result.
11 Reporting a nonemergency incident is a class B misdemeanor.
12 § 2. 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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