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Introduced by M. of A. SIMOTAS, OTIS, JAFFEE, SIMON, DE LA ROSA,
 CARROLL, D'URSO, ROZIC, QUART, GOTTFRIED, NIOU, O'DONNELL -- Multi Sponsored by -- M. of A. BRAUNSTEIN, GALEF, HEVESI -- read once and
 referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to intimidating a victim or witness

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 215.15 of the penal law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 3 to read as follows:
- 3 3. With the intent to harass, annoy, threaten, alarm or intimidate
  4 such person, or cause legal harm or consequences to such person, and
  5 outside of his or her official duties, he or she reports to any federal,
  6 state or municipal agency or department:
  - (a) the citizenship or immigration status of a person who:
  - (i) has been the victim of a criminal act described in this part; or
- 9 (ii) who is seeking an order of protection; or
- 10 (b) the citizenship or immigration status of a person who is a family
- 11 member of a person who has been the victim of a criminal act described
- 12 <u>in this part, or is seeking an order of protection.</u>
- 13 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in <a href="italics">italics</a> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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