

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to establishing "Jeremiah's Law" relating to establishing the offense of filing a false report concerning a minor

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

1 Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as  
2 "Jeremiah's Law".

3 § 2. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 240.49 to read  
4 as follows:

5 § 240.49 Filing a false report concerning a minor.

6 A person is guilty of filing a false report concerning a minor when he  
7 or she falsely reports an incident in the third degree as described in  
8 section 240.50 of this article and the individual who is the accused  
9 subject of the report is a child under the age of thirteen years.

10 Filing a false report concerning a minor is a class E felony.

11 § 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
12 ing the date upon which it shall have become a law.

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

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