## STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

February 8, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. BICHOTTE HERMELYN, MEEKS, ZINERMAN, JACKSON, SIMON -- 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:
  - § 240.49 Filing a false report concerning a minor.
- A person is guilty of filing a false report concerning a minor when he
  or she falsely reports an incident in the third degree as described in
  section 240.50 of this article and the individual who is the accused
  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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