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Introduced by Sens. MAYER, ADDABBO, GOUNARDES, MURRAY -- 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 establishing the crime of voyeurism in the first and second degree

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

1 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding two new sections 250.51  
2 and 250.52 to read as follows:

3 § 250.51 Voyeurism in the second degree.

4 A person is guilty of voyeurism in the second degree when:

5 1. For such person's own amusement, entertainment, profit, sexual  
6 arousal or sexual gratification, or for the purpose of degrading or  
7 abusing a person, such person trespasses, as defined in section 140.05  
8 of this part, for the purpose of viewing a person dressing or undressing  
9 or the sexual or other intimate parts of such person at a place and time  
10 when such person has a reasonable expectation of privacy, as defined in  
11 subdivision one of section 250.40 of this article, without such person's  
12 knowledge or consent; or

13 2. For such person's own amusement, entertainment, profit, sexual  
14 arousal or sexual gratification, or for the purpose of degrading or  
15 abusing a person, the actor trespasses, as defined in section 140.05 of  
16 this part, for the purpose of viewing a person in an identifiable manner  
17 engaging in sexual conduct, as defined in subdivision ten of section  
18 130.00 of this part, at a place and time when such person has a reason-  
19 able expectation of privacy, as defined in subdivision one of section  
20 250.40 of this article, without such person's knowledge or consent.

21 Voyeurism in the second degree is a class B misdemeanor.

22 § 250.52 Voyeurism in the first degree.

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

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1 A person is guilty of voyeurism in the first degree when such person  
2 commits the crime of voyeurism in the second degree and has been previ-  
3 ously convicted within the past ten years of voyeurism in the first or  
4 second degree.

5 Voyeurism in the first degree is a class A misdemeanor.

6 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 250.65 of the penal law, as added by  
7 chapter 69 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:

8 1. The provisions of sections 250.45, 250.50, 250.51, 250.52, 250.55  
9 and 250.60 of this article do not apply with respect to any: (a) law  
10 enforcement personnel, firefighters, healthcare professionals or correc-  
11 tional facility personnel engaged in the conduct of their authorized  
12 duties; (b) security system wherein a written notice is conspicuously  
13 posted on the premises stating that a video surveillance system has been  
14 installed for the purpose of security; or (c) video surveillance devices  
15 installed in such a manner that their presence is clearly and immediate-  
16 ly obvious.

17 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.