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SENATE BILL 259

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIME; CREATING THE CRIME OF THREATENING A LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OF A LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; CREATING THE CRIME OF MALICIOUS SHARING OF
PERSONAL INFORMATION OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR AN
IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; IMPOSING
PENALTIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 30 NMSA 1978 is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] THREATENING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR
AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER--
PENALTY.--

A. Threatening a law enforcement officer or an
immediate family member of a law enforcement officer consists

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1 of a person making a threat, with the intent to:

2 (1) place the law enforcement officer or the
3 immediate family member of a law enforcement officer in fear of
4 great bodily harm to the law enforcement officer or to an
5 immediate family member of the law enforcement officer;

6 (2) prevent or interrupt the law enforcement
7 officer's ability to carry out the law enforcement officer's
8 job duties; or

9 (3) retaliate against a law enforcement
10 officer on account of the performance of the law enforcement
11 officer's official duties during the law enforcement officer's
12 term of service.

13 B. A person who commits threatening a law
14 enforcement officer or an immediate family member of a law
15 enforcement officer is guilty of a fourth degree felony.

16 C. As used in this section:

17 (1) "immediate family member" means a spouse,
18 child, sibling, parent, grandparent or grandchild, and
19 "immediate family member" includes a stepparent, a stepchild, a
20 stepsibling and an adoptive relationship; and

21 (2) "law enforcement officer" means a local,
22 state, federal or tribal law enforcement officer."

23 SECTION 2. A new section of Chapter 30 NMSA 1978 is
24 enacted to read:

25 "[NEW MATERIAL] MALICIOUS SHARING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

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1 OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER OF A
2 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER--PENALTY.--

3 A. Malicious sharing of personal information of a
4 law enforcement officer or an immediate family member of a law
5 enforcement officer consists of a person sharing personal
6 information, with the intent to:

7 (1) cause harm to the law enforcement officer
8 or the immediate family member of a law enforcement officer;

9 (2) place the law enforcement officer or the
10 immediate family member of a law enforcement officer in fear of
11 great bodily harm to the law enforcement officer or to an
12 immediate family member of the law enforcement officer; or

13 (3) prevent or interrupt the law enforcement
14 officer's ability to carry out the law enforcement officer's
15 job duties.

16 B. A person who commits malicious sharing of
17 personal information of a law enforcement officer or an
18 immediate family member of a law enforcement officer is guilty
19 of a misdemeanor.

20 C. As used in this section:

21 (1) "immediate family member" means a spouse,
22 child, sibling, parent, grandparent or grandchild, and
23 "immediate family member" includes a stepparent, a stepchild, a
24 stepsibling and an adoptive relationship;

25 (2) "law enforcement officer" means a local,

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1 state, federal or tribal law enforcement officer; and

2 (3) "personal information" means a person's
3 physical address, phone number, email or physical location."

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