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HOUSE BILL 400

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW; IMPOSING A MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCE
FOR CERTAIN REGISTRATION OFFENSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1-20-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,
Chapter 240, Section 428, as amended by Laws 1993, Chapter 314,
Section 60 and also by Laws 1993, Chapter 316, Section 58) is
amended to read:

"1-20-3. REGISTRATION OFFENSES.--

A. Registration offenses consist of performing any
of the following acts willfully and with knowledge and intent
to deceive any registration officer or to subvert the
registration requirements of the law or rights of any qualified
elector:

[A.] (1) signing or offering to sign a

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1 certificate of registration when not a qualified elector;

2 [B-] (2) falsifying any information on the
3 certificate of registration;

4 [E-] (3) soliciting, procuring, aiding,
5 abetting, inducing or attempting to solicit, procure, aid, abet
6 or induce any person to register or attempt to register with
7 the name of any other person, whether real, deceased or
8 fictitious; or

9 [D-] (4) destroying the certificate of
10 registration of any qualified elector, or removing such
11 certificate from its proper binder or file, except as provided
12 in the Election Code.

13 B. Whoever commits a registration offense is guilty
14 of a fourth degree felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to
15 the provisions of Section 31-18-15 NMSA 1978 and six months of
16 the sentence shall not be suspended, deferred or taken under
17 advisement."

18 **SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**--The effective date of the
19 provisions of this act is July 1, 2011.

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