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AN ACT  
RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS; ENHANCING SENTENCES FOR  
FELONIES.

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

SECTION 1. A new section of the Criminal Sentencing Act  
is enacted to read:

"FELONIES--PUBLIC OFFICIALS--ENHANCEMENT OF SENTENCES.--

A. When a separate finding of fact by the trier of  
fact shows beyond a reasonable doubt that an offender is a  
public official and that the felony conviction relates to,  
arises out of or is in connection with the offender's holding  
of an elected office, the basic sentence may be increased by  
an additional fine not to exceed the value of the salary and  
fringe benefits paid to the offender, by virtue of holding an  
elected public office, after the commission of the first act  
that was a basis for the felony conviction.

B. As used in this section, "public official"  
means a person elected to an office in an election covered by  
the Campaign Reporting Act or a person appointed to an office  
that is subject to an election covered by that act."