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SENATE, No. 839

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Makes impersonating a law enforcement officer a crime of the fourth degree.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/16/2000)

1 AN ACT concerning impersonating a law enforcement officer and
2 amending N.J.S.2C:28-8.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
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20 (cf: P.L.1978, c.95, s.2)

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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 839

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 17, 2000

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 839.

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P.L. 2000, CHAPTER 110, *approved September 8, 2000*
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Approved September 8, 2000.