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P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 148, *approved August 21, 2007*
Assembly, No. 1162

1 **AN ACT** prohibiting the unauthorized use of military medals or
2 insignias and amending N.J.S.38A:14-5.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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10 militia, and who is not a member of the organized militia, except
11 such members of organizations specifically authorized so to do by
12 Federal and State laws and regulations, shall be guilty of a
13 misdemeanor. **]**

14 Any person who knowingly, with intent to impersonate and with
15 intent to deceive, misrepresents himself as a member or veteran of
16 the United States Armed Forces or organized militia by wearing the
17 uniform or any medal or insignia authorized for use by the members
18 or veterans of the United States Armed Forces or the organized
19 militia, by Federal and State laws and regulations, shall be guilty of
20 a crime of the fourth degree.

21 (cf: N.J.S.38A:14-5)

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23 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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29 Makes unauthorized use of military uniforms, medals or
insignias a crime of the fourth degree.

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1162

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

212th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2006 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman DAVID R. MAYER

District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)

Assemblyman PATRICK J. DIEGNAN, JR.

District 18 (Middlesex)

Assemblyman JACK CONNERS

District 7 (Burlington and Camden)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Greenwald, Cryan, Conaway, Scalera and Moriarty

SYNOPSIS

Makes unauthorized use of military medals or insignias a crime of the fourth degree.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/27/2006)

A1162 MAYER, DIEGNAN

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27 This bill makes the unauthorized use of a military uniform or any
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31 Under current law, any person unlawfully wearing the uniform or
32 insignia of the organized militia is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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ASSEMBLY LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1162

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 18, 2007

The Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1162.

Assembly Bill No. 1162 makes the unauthorized use of a military uniform or any medal or insignia, similar to those issued for use by the Armed Forces of the United States and organized militia, a crime of the fourth degree. Crimes of the fourth degree are punishable by a term of imprisonment of up to 18 months; a fine of up to \$10,000; or both.

Under current law, any person unlawfully wearing the uniform or insignia of the organized militia is guilty of a misdemeanor.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2006-2007 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND VETERANS'
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 1162

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 10, 2007

The Senate Law and Public Safety and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1162.

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As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2644, which was also reported by the committee on this same date.

SENATE, No. 2644

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 10, 2007

Sponsored by:

Senator PETER A. INVERSO
District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)
Senator JOHN A. GIRGENTI
District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Allen

SYNOPSIS

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CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

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(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/19/2007)

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