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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that public or nonpublic school employee who knowingly damages, disconnects, tampers, or interferes with school emergency warning device is subject to civil penalty.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning school warning systems and supplementing  
2 chapter 36 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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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7 1. a. Any employee of a public or nonpublic school who  
8 knowingly damages, disconnects, tampers, or interferes with the  
9 operation of a public or nonpublic school loudspeaker, alarm, or  
10 other emergency warning device or system shall be liable to a civil  
11 penalty of \$1,000 for each offense, which shall be collected  
12 pursuant to the provisions of the "Penalty Enforcement Law of  
13 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.).

14 b. The provisions of this section shall not:

15 (1) be applicable to an approved maintenance or repair of a  
16 loudspeaker, alarm, or other emergency warning device or system;  
17 or

18 (2) preclude the application of any other civil, administrative, or  
19 criminal remedy under any other provision of law.

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21 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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26 This bill provides that an employee of a public or nonpublic  
27 school who knowingly damages, disconnects, tampers, or interferes  
28 with the operation of a public or nonpublic school loudspeaker,  
29 alarm, or other emergency warning device or system will be liable  
30 to a civil penalty of \$1,000 for each offense. The bill stipulates that  
31 its provisions: 1) are not applicable to an approved maintenance or  
32 repair of a loudspeaker, alarm, or other emergency warning device  
33 or system; and 2) do not preclude the application of any other civil,  
34 administrative, or criminal remedy that may be available under any  
35 other provision of law.