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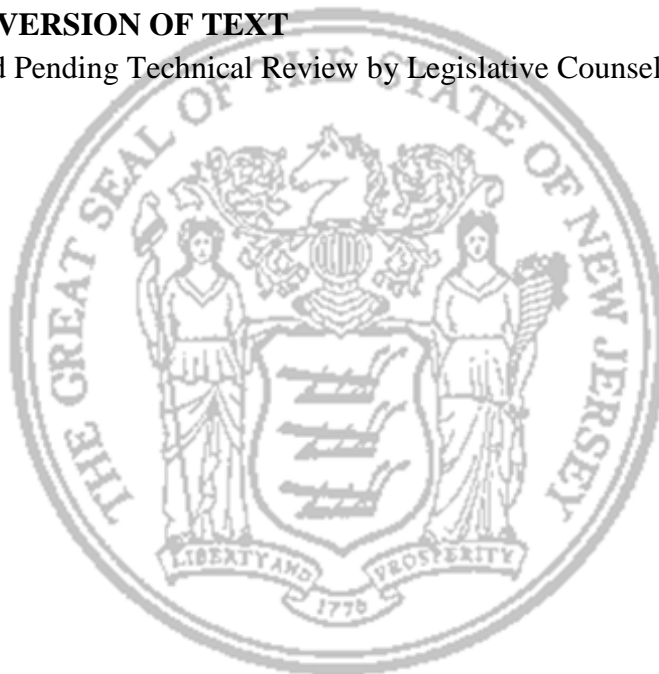
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SYNOPSIS

Criminalizes fraudulently pretending to be transportation network company driver.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1 AN ACT concerning fraud and supplementing Title 2C of the New
2 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. Except as provided in subsection b. of this section, a
8 person commits a fourth degree crime if he falsely pretends to be a
9 transportation network company driver for the purpose of obtaining
10 a benefit for himself or another or to injure or defraud another.

11 b. A person commits a crime of the third degree if he falsely
12 pretends to be a transportation network company driver and
13 knowingly exhibits or displays a falsely purported identifying
14 marker as set forth in section 23 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-23) or
15 some other identification for the purpose of obtaining a benefit for
16 himself or another or to injure or defraud another.

17 c. Nothing herein shall be deemed to preclude, if the evidence
18 so warrants, an indictment and conviction for murder,
19 manslaughter, assault, or any other offense.

20 "Transportation network company driver" has the meaning set
21 forth section 2 of in P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-2).

22 "Benefit" has the meaning set forth in N.J.S.2C:21-17.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill criminalizes fraudulently pretending to be a
30 transportation network company driver. Under this bill, it is a
31 crime of the fourth degree if a person falsely pretends to be a
32 transportation network company driver for the purpose of obtaining
33 a benefit for himself or another or to injure or defraud another. In
34 addition, if the person knowingly exhibits or displays a falsely
35 purported identifying marker as set forth in section 23 of P.L.2017,
36 c.26 (C.39:5H-23) or some other identification, then it is a crime of
37 the third degree.

38 Transportation network company driver is defined in the bill as
39 having the same meaning as provided in section 2 of P.L.2017, c.26
40 (C.39:5H-2) and benefit as having the same meaning as provided in
41 N.J.S.2C:21-17.

42 A crime of the fourth degree is punishable by up to 18 months
43 imprisonment, a fine up to \$10,000, or both. A crime of the third
44 degree carries a penalty of three to five years imprisonment, a fine
45 of up to \$15,000, or both.