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SYNOPSIS

Establishes fourth degree crime of cyber-interference.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** establishing the crime of cyber-interference and
2 supplementing Title 2C 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 person commits a crime of the fourth degree if, with the
8 purpose to harass another, the person tampers or interferes with any
9 software, computer, cell phone, or any other electronic device.

10 For purposes of this section, “electronic device” shall include,
11 but not be limited to, a smart home device or system, home security
12 system, computer, digital camera, wireless or portable equipment,
13 entertainment system, or any other device that is capable of
14 transmitting, receiving, or recording messages, images, sounds,
15 data, or other information by electronic means.

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17 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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22 This bill establishes the crime of cyber-interference and makes a
23 violation a crime of the fourth degree.

24 Under the bill, a person commits the crime of cyber-interference if
25 the person, with the purpose to harass another, tampers or interferes
26 with any software, computer, cell phone, or any other electronic
27 device. The bill defines “electronic device” to include, but not be
28 limited to, a smart home device or system, home security system,
29 computer, digital camera, wireless or portable equipment,
30 entertainment system, or any other device that is capable of
31 transmitting, receiving, or recording messages, images, sounds,
32 data, or other information by electronic means.

33 A crime of the fourth degree is punishable by a term of
34 imprisonment of up to 18 months, a fine of up to \$10,000, or both.