

SENATE BILL No. 29

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-44-2-2.

Synopsis: False reporting. Makes the crime of false reporting the presence of explosives, product tampering, or weapons of mass destruction a Class C felony instead of a Class D felony.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 4, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-44-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. (a) As used in this
3 section, "consumer product" has the meaning set forth in IC 35-45-8-1.
4 (b) As used in this section, "misconduct" means a violation of a
5 departmental rule or procedure of a law enforcement agency.
6 (c) A person who reports, by telephone, telegraph, mail, or other
7 written or oral communication, that:
8 (1) the person or another person has placed or intends to place an
9 explosive, a destructive device, or other destructive substance in
10 a building or transportation facility;
11 (2) there has been or there will be tampering with a consumer
12 product introduced into commerce; or
13 (3) there has been or will be placed or introduced a weapon of
14 mass destruction in a building or a place of assembly;
15 knowing the report to be false commits false reporting, a ~~Class D~~ **Class**
16 **C** felony.
17 (d) A person who:



1 (1) gives a false report of the commission of a crime or gives false
 2 information in the official investigation of the commission of a
 3 crime, knowing the report or information to be false;
 4 (2) gives a false alarm of fire to the fire department of a
 5 governmental entity, knowing the alarm to be false;
 6 (3) makes a false request for ambulance service to an ambulance
 7 service provider, knowing the request to be false;
 8 (4) gives a false report concerning a missing child (as defined in
 9 IC 10-13-5-4) or gives false information in the official
 10 investigation of a missing child knowing the report or information
 11 to be false; or
 12 (5) makes a complaint against a law enforcement officer to the
 13 state or municipality (as defined in IC 8-1-13-3) that employs the
 14 officer:
 15 (A) alleging the officer engaged in misconduct while
 16 performing the officer's duties; and
 17 (B) knowing the complaint to be false;
 18 commits false informing, a Class B misdemeanor. However, the offense
 19 is a Class A misdemeanor if it substantially hinders any law
 20 enforcement process or if it results in harm to an innocent person.
 21 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] **IC 35-44-2-2, as**
 22 **amended by this act, applies only to crimes committed after June**
 23 **30, 2005.**

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