
SENATE BILL 6177

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By Senators Eide, Brandland and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to criminal impersonation; amending RCW 9A.60.040
2 and 9A.60.045; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.60.040 and 2003 c 53 s 78 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) A person is guilty of criminal impersonation in the first
7 degree if the person:

8 (a) Assumes a false identity and does an act in his or her assumed
9 character with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful
10 purpose; or

11 (b) Pretends to be a representative of some person or organization
12 or a public servant and does an act in his or her pretended capacity
13 with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful purpose.

14 (2) Criminal impersonation in the first degree is a (~~gross~~
15 ~~misdemeanor~~) class C felony.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9A.60.045 and 2003 c 53 s 79 are each amended to read
17 as follows:

1 (1) A person is guilty of criminal impersonation in the second
2 degree if the person:

3 (a) Claims to be a law enforcement officer or creates an impression
4 that he or she is a law enforcement officer; and

5 (b) Under circumstances not amounting to criminal impersonation in
6 the first degree, does an act with intent to convey the impression that
7 he or she is acting in an official capacity and a reasonable person
8 would believe the person is a law enforcement officer.

9 (2) Criminal impersonation in the second degree is a gross
10 misdemeanor.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect July 1, 2004.

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