

SENATE FILE

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the making of emergency telephone calls by
 2 expanding the definition of falsely claiming an emergency for
 3 nonemergency purposes and providing a penalty.
 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 727.6, Code 1991, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 727.6 FALSELY CLAIMING EMERGENCY.

4 Any person who secures the use of a telephone or telephone
5 line by falsely stating that such telephone or line is needed
6 for an emergency call or who calls or otherwise contacts law
7 enforcement, fire, or emergency medical services, claiming an
8 emergency when none actually exists commits a simple
9 misdemeanor.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill expands the definition of falsely claiming an
12 emergency to include calls or other contacts made to law
13 enforcement, fire, or emergency medical services, under the
14 guise of an emergency and provides that the penalty is a
15 simple misdemeanor.

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