

March 11, 1970

HOUSE FILE 1329

Place on Calendar

Law Enforcement 3/24
Pass per amendment 3/31

By COMMITTEE ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

Passed House, Date *3/22/70* Passed Senate, Date *4-7-70*

Vote: Ayes *98* Nays *0* Vote: Ayes *54* Nays *0*

Approved.....

Passed House as amended by Senate
4-8-70
ays 106 - nays 0

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act to prohibit false reports and information regarding
- 2 crimes and accidents.
- 3 *Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*
- 4 Section 1. Whoever intentionally and without good cause
- 5 shall give a false or fraudulent report of crime or accident by
- 6 calling any peace officer or other person, or by crying or
- 7 sounding an alarm, or by performing any act calculated to
- 8 cause such report or alarm, or who shall intentionally com-
- 9 municate false or fraudulent information with reference to
- 10 crime or accident to any peace officer or other person knowing
- 11 such information to be false or fraudulent, shall be guilty
- 12 of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more
- 13 than one hundred dollars or imprisoned in the county jail not
- 14 more than thirty days. However, nothing herein shall prevent
- 15 communication of such false or fraudulent information if, at
- 16 the time of the communication, the communicant explains the
- 17 source of the information and the details relevant thereto.

EXPLANATION

This bill declares unlawful the intentional turning in of false or fraudulent crime or accident reports or alarms to peace officers or other persons, by any person with knowledge of their false or fraudulent nature, and prescribe a simple misdemeanor penalty. An exception is made when a person communicates such information but identifies it as false or fraudulent and divulges such other relevant details concerning it as are within his knowledge.

- 1 Amend House File 1329 by inserting after line 17
- 2 the following section:
- 3 "Sec. 2. This act being deemed of immediate
- 4 importance shall take effect and be in force from and
- 5 after its approval and publication in the Dyersville
- 6 Commercial, a newspaper published in Dyersville, Iowa,
- 7 and in the Cascade Pioneer-Advertiser, a newspaper
- 8 published in Cascade, Iowa".

Filed - *Adopted 3/28*
March 13, 1970
In: Law enforcement

KENNEDY of Dubuque

SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 1329

- 1 Amend House File 1329, as amended and passed by the House,
page 1,
- 2 as follows:
- 3 1. Line 5, by striking the words "crime or" and inserting in lieu
- 4 thereof the words "a crime, a fire, or an".
- 5 2. Line 6, by striking the words "or other person" and by inserting
- 6 in lieu thereof the words ", physician, hospital, ambulance service,
- 7 or fire department".
- 8 3. By striking line 10 and inserting in lieu thereof the follow-
- 9 ing: "a crime, a fire, or an accident to any peace officer, physician,
- 10 hospital, ambulance service, or fire department knowing".
- 11 4. By striking lines 18 through 22, inclusive.
- 12 5. By striking line 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 13 "crimes, fires, and accidents and providing a penalty for violations."

*House
concurred
4/8*

Received from the Senate
April 7, 1970

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Filed - *Adopted 4/7*
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