



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6357**

LCO No. 2934

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:

(PS)

***AN ACT CREATING THE OFFENSE OF CYBERSTALKING.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) A person is guilty of  
2 cyberstalking when (1) such person, with intent to harass or intimidate  
3 another person uses a computer, computer network or any other  
4 electronic device to (A) broadcast or publish the picture, name, address  
5 or phone number of another person without the other person's  
6 consent; or (B) broadcast harassing, threatening or intimidating  
7 content concerning another person; and (2) such conduct places the  
8 other person in reasonable fear for such person's safety or the safety of  
9 a member of his or her immediate family.
- 10 (b) The court may order, as a condition of probation, that the  
11 defendant undergo any medical or psychiatric evaluation or treatment  
12 deemed necessary by the court.
- 13 (c) Cyberstalking is a class A misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	New section
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To create the offense of cyberstalking, a class A misdemeanor.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*