

House Engrossed Senate Bill
fraudulent voice recordings

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SENATE BILL 1078

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-2006, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO FORGERY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 13-2006, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:
4 13-2006. Criminal impersonation; classification
5 A. A person commits criminal impersonation by:
6 1. Assuming a false identity with the intent to defraud another; or
7 2. Pretending to be a representative of some person or organization
8 with the intent to defraud; or
9 3. Pretending to be, or assuming a false identity of, an employee
10 or a representative of some person or organization with the intent to
11 induce another person to provide or allow access to property. This
12 paragraph does not apply to peace officers in the performance of their
13 duties; ~~OR~~
14 4. USING A COMPUTER GENERATED VOICE RECORDING, IMAGE OR VIDEO OF
15 ANOTHER PERSON WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD OTHER PERSONS OR WITH INTENT TO
16 HARASS OTHER PERSONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION:
17 (a) "DEFRAUD" MEANS TO MAKE A FALSE REPRESENTATION OR MATERIAL
18 OMISSION TO DECEIVE ANOTHER PERSON TO GAIN A BENEFIT.
19 (b) "HARASS" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 13-2921.
20 B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, COMEDY, PARODY, ARTISTIC
21 EXPRESSION, CRITICISM OR CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE IT IS CLEAR TO A REASONABLE
22 LISTENER OR VIEWER THAT THE RECORDING, IMAGE OR VIDEO HAS BEEN DIGITALLY
23 MANIPULATED ARE NOT FRAUDULENT.
24 ~~B.~~ C. Criminal impersonation UNDER SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 4 OF
25 THIS SECTION IS A CLASS 5 FELONY. CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION UNDER SUBSECTION
26 A, PARAGRAPH 1, 2 OR 3 OF THIS SECTION is a class ~~6-felony~~ 1 MISDEMEANOR.