



2019 SENATE BILL 525

October 25, 2019 - Introduced by Senators JACQUE, MILLER and L. TAYLOR, cosponsored by Representatives OTT, SARGENT, DITTRICH, EDMING, SKOWRONSKI, SINICKI and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 946.69 (title); and **to create** 946.69 (2) (c) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** impersonating a public officer, public employee, or employee of a
3 utility and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, it is a Class I felony for a person to assume to act in an official capacity of a public office knowing that he or she is not a public officer, employee, or utility employee or to exercise any function of a public office that he or she is not qualified to exercise.

Under the bill, it is a Class I felony for a person to impersonate or represent oneself to be a public officer, employee, or the employee of a utility with the intent to mislead others into believing that he or she is actually a public officer or employee or the employee of a utility.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 946.69 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

