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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. JACOBSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to the unlawful purchase or possession of a body vest

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 270.21 to 2 read as follows:
- 3 § 270.21 Unlawful purchase or possession of a body vest.
- A person is guilty of the unlawful purchase or possession of a body
- 5 vest when he or she knowingly and unlawfully purchases or possesses a
- body vest, as such term is defined in subdivision two of section 270.20
- of this article. This section shall not apply to active law enforcement
- officers or those whose occupations require the use of body vests as
- 9 <u>determined</u> by the <u>department</u> of state.
- Unlawful purchase or possession of a body vest is a class A misdemea-10
- 11 nor for a first offense and a class E felony for any subsequent offense.
- § 2. Any person currently in possession of a body vest, as such term 12 is defined in subdivision two of section 270.20 of the penal law, shall
- 14 have 15 days from the effective date of this act to dispose of such body
- 15 vest at any local or state law enforcement agency.
- § 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall 16
- 17 have become a law.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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