

SENATE BILL NO. 62

January 28, 2021, Introduced by Senators GEISS, BULLOCK, WOJNO, BAYER, ALEXANDER, CHANG, ANANICH and SANTANA and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding section 147c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 147c. A person who makes a false report of the commission
2 of a crime or suspected commission of a crime based solely on the
3 race or ethnicity of the alleged perpetrator of the crime and not
4 on actual suspicion that a crime has been or might be committed, or
5 intentionally causes a false report of the commission of a crime to

1 be made based solely upon the race or ethnicity of the alleged
2 perpetrator and not on actual suspicion that a crime has been
3 committed or might be committed, to a peace officer, police agency
4 of this state or of a local unit of government, 9-1-1 operator, or
5 any other governmental employee or contractor or employee of a
6 contractor who is authorized to receive reports of a crime is
7 guilty of a crime as follows:

8 (a) For a first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor
9 and shall be punished by a fine of \$1,000.00 and be required to
10 complete 50 hours of community service with a group or nonprofit
11 whose mission is to advance equity and justice for historically
12 marginalized, disenfranchised, and oppressed peoples.

13 (b) For a second offense, the person is guilty of a felony
14 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 2 years or a fine of
15 not more than \$2,500.00, or both.

16 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
17 after the date it is enacted into law.