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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT relative to false reports to law enforcement.

SPONSORS: Rep. D. Mannion, Rock. 25; Rep. S. Pearson, Rock. 13; Rep. Proulx, Hills. 15; Rep.
Roy, Rock. 31

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill enhances the penalty for the offense of false reports to law enforcement from a misdemeanor to a class A misdemeanor.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 43:1 Criminal Code; False Reports to Law Enforcement. Amend RSA 641:4 to read as follows:

2 641:4 False Reports to Law Enforcement.

3 A person is guilty of a ***class A*** misdemeanor if he ***or she***.

4 I. Knowingly gives or causes to be given false information to any law enforcement officer with the
5 purpose of inducing such officer to believe that another has committed an offense; or

6 II. Knowingly gives or causes to be given information to any law enforcement officer concerning
7 the commission of an offense, or the danger from an explosive or other dangerous substance, knowing
8 that the offense or danger did not occur or exist or knowing that he ***or she*** has no information relating to
9 the offense or danger.

10 43:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: May 08, 2026
Effective Date: July 07, 2026

