ENROLLED ACT NO. 94, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; creating a crime for impersonation through electronic means as specified; providing penalties; providing definitions; authorizing civil relief for damages; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 6-3-902 is created to read:

6-3-902. Unlawful impersonation through electronic means; penalties; definitions; civil remedies.

- (a) Any person who knowingly and without consent intentionally impersonates another actual person through, or on, an internet website or by other electronic means, including, but not limited to spoofing and causes or attempts to cause harm, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or both.
 - (b) For purposes of this section:
- (i) "Electronic means" includes opening an e-mail account or an account or profile on a site transmitted via the internet;
- (ii) "Internet" means as defined in W.S. 9-2-1035(a)(iii);
- (iii) "Spoofing" means falsifying the name or phone number appearing on caller identification systems.

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(c) In addition to any other civil remedy available, a person who suffers damage or loss by reason of a violation of subsection (a) of this section may bring a civil action against the violator for compensatory damages and injunctive relief or other equitable relief.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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