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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2506**

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**By** House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Cooper, Riley, H. Myers, Winsley, Morris and Ludwig)

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1 AN ACT Relating to impersonation of a law enforcement officer;  
2 amending RCW 9A.60.040; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.60.040 and 1975 1st ex.s. c 260 s 9A.60.040 are  
5 each amended to read as follows:

6 (1) A person is guilty of criminal impersonation in the first  
7 degree if ((he)) the person:

8 (a) Assumes a false identity and does an act in his or her assumed  
9 character with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful  
10 purpose; or

11 (b) Pretends to be a representative of some person or organization  
12 or a public servant and does an act in his or her pretended capacity  
13 with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful purpose.

1       (2) Criminal impersonation in the first degree is a gross  
2 misdemeanor.

3       (3) A person is guilty of criminal impersonation in the second  
4 degree if the person:

5       (a) Claims to be a law enforcement officer or creates an impression  
6 that he or she is a law enforcement officer; and

7       (b) Under circumstances not amounting to criminal impersonation in  
8 the first degree, does an act with intent to convey the impression that  
9 he or she is acting in an official capacity.

10       (4) Criminal impersonation in the second degree is a misdemeanor.