AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 37, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 13-3729; RELATING TO VIDEO RECORDING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Title 13, chapter 37, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 13-3729, to read:

13-3729. Unlawful video recording of law enforcement activity;
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A. It is unlawful for a person to knowingly make a video recording of law enforcement activity, including the handling of an emotionally disturbed person, if the person making the video recording does not have the permission of a law enforcement officer and is within twenty feet of where the law enforcement activity is occurring. If the law enforcement activity is occurring in an enclosed structure that is on private property, a person who is authorized to be on the private property may make a video recording of the activity from an adjacent room or area that is less than twenty feet away from where the activity is occurring, unless a law enforcement officer determines that the person is interfering in the law enforcement activity or that it is not safe to be in the area and orders the person to stop recording or to leave the area.

B. This section does not establish a right or authorize any person to make a video recording of law enforcement activity.

C. A violation of this section is a petty offense, except that if the person fails to comply with a verbal warning of a violation of this section or has previously been convicted of a violation of this section, it is a class 3 misdemeanor.