

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 695

Introduced by Assembly Member Travis Allen

February 25, 2015

An act relating to civil law.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 695, as introduced, Travis Allen. Internet impersonation: civil action.

Under existing criminal law, any person who knowingly and without consent credibly impersonates another actual person through or on an Internet Web site or by other electronic means for purposes of harming, intimidating, threatening, or defrauding another person is guilty of a public offense punishable pursuant to specified provisions.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would establish a private cause of action against any person who knowingly and without consent impersonates another person through or on an Internet Web site.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would establish a private cause of action against
- 3 any person who knowingly and without consent impersonates
- 4 another person through or on an Internet Web site.

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