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Photos of Kobe Bryant's Death Spark Legislation to Punish First Responders for Taking Personal Photos

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<u>Assemblymember Mike Gipson</u> (D-Los Angeles) has amended his <u>AB 2655</u>, to make it a misdemeanor for any first responder to capture any photo of a deceased person on a personal device or on a device belonging to the employer for any purpose other than official purposes. This bill would also authorize a fine of up to \$5,000, up to one year in jail, or both per violation of the statute.

This bill arises from the circumstances <u>surrounding the death of Kobe Bryant</u> and photos being released from the scene of the crime. The <u>Assembly Public Safety Committee</u> will be hearing this bill on Tuesday, May 19th.

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