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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **SCAMMERS SPOOFING SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER**

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – (June 25, 2019) Criminals are cloning the Putnam County Sheriff's Office telephone number (931-528-8484) and are attempting to steal money from unsuspecting citizens. Scammers are posing as law enforcement officers in the hopes of stealing money and personal information. The sheriff's office has already received numerous calls asking after loved ones in jail, requesting information regarding warrants for arrest or inquiring after a fine to be paid. The nature and language of the calls can vary, but we urge all citizens to be wary of anyone asking for personal information over the phone.

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office will not initiate calls to let someone know that a loved one is in jail or request payments over the phone.

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