

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB2741

Introduced 1/12/2024, by Sen. Dan McConchie

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/11-20.1-5 new

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Creates the offense of unlawful deepfake of a minor engaging in sexual activity. Provides that any person who, with knowledge that the material is a deepfake depicting a minor under 18 years of age, knowingly distributes, advertises, exhibits, exchanges with, promotes, or sells any material that depicts a minor engaging in sexual conduct or sexual penetration is guilty of a Class 1 felony. Provides that if the minor depicted is under 13 years of age, unlawful deepfake of a minor engaging in sexual activity is a Class X felony. Defines terms. Contains a severability provision.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by adding
- 5 Section 11-20.1-5 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/11-20.1-5 new)
- 7 Sec. 11-20.1-5. Unlawful deepfake of a minor engaging in
- 8 sexual activity.
- 9 <u>(a) In this Section:</u>
- 10 "Deepfake" means any visual media created, altered, or
- otherwise manipulated in a manner that would falsely appear to
- 12 <u>a reasonable observer to be an authentic record of the</u>
- individual's actual speech, conduct, or likeness.
- 14 "Distribute" means to publish or disseminate, including
- but not limited to: advertising, exhibiting, exchanging,
- promoting, or selling deepfake material.
- 17 <u>"Material" has the meaning given to that term in Section</u>
- 18 <u>11-21.</u>
- "Minor" means any natural person under 18 years of age.
- 20 "Natural person" means a human being with legal
- 21 personality as distinguished from a person created by digital
- means or by operation of law.
- 23 "Recognizable physical characteristics" means an actual

- 1 minor's face or likeness.
- 2 "Sexual conduct" and "sexual penetration" have the
- 3 <u>meanings given to those terms in Section 11-0.1, whether</u>
- 4 actual or simulated.
- 5 (b) Any person who, with knowledge that the material is a
- 6 <u>deepfake depicting a minor, knowingly possesses or distributes</u>
- 7 material that depicts a minor engaging in sexual conduct or
- 8 <u>sexual penetration commits unlawful deepfake of a minor</u>
- 9 engaging in sexual activity.
- 10 (c) Sentence. Any person who, with knowledge that the
- 11 material is a deepfake depicting a minor, knowingly
- distributes, advertises, exhibits, exchanges with, promotes,
- or sells any material that depicts a minor engaging in sexual
- 14 conduct or sexual penetration is quilty of a Class 1 felony. If
- 15 the minor depicted is under 13 years of age, unlawful deepfake
- of a minor engaging in sexual activity is a Class X felony.
- 17 (d) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to impose
- 18 liability on an interactive computer service, as defined in 47
- 19 U.S.C. 230(f), for information provided by another information
- 20 content provider.
- 21 (e) The provisions of this Section shall not preclude
- 22 prosecution under any other law.
- 23 Section 97. Severability. The provisions of this Act are
- severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.