

AMPLIFY Act: Child Online Safety

Legislating Drafter Working Package — 33-bill modular AMPLIFY build

Legislating drafter file. This chapter draft is designed to stand on its own and to support modular insertion into broader AMPLIFY stacks.

Bill 4. AMPLIFY Act: Child Online Safety

Single subject. Special protections for minors in digital identity, consent, amplification, and synthetic-media contexts.

Purpose. Create a child-first safety layer where heightened protection is justified.

Draft structure

Section	Core draft direction
1. Short title	This act shall be known and may be cited as the “AMPLIFY Act: Child Online Safety”.
2. Legislative declaration	The general assembly finds and declares that create a child-first safety layer where heightened protection is justified.
3. Definitions	Definitions should be alphabetized, lowercase, and drafted in singular form unless a term of art requires otherwise.
4. Operative sections	Substantive rights, duties, approvals, or restrictions listed below.
5. Administration	Rulemaking, designation of administering authority, records, notices, and implementation mechanics.
6. Construction	Independent operation, severability, no implied repeal, and other necessary construction clauses.
7. Effective date	Effective date and any conditional clause required by filing strategy.

Draft definitions

minor. a person under eighteen years of age.

age-appropriate design. a design standard that defaults to the least harmful, least manipulative, and least data-intensive configuration for a minor.

high-risk youth-facing feature. a feature identified by rule as materially associated with compulsive engagement, identity exploitation, or harmful amplification affecting minors.

Draft operative provisions

Section 4. Child-first defaults

- A covered operator shall apply age-appropriate design and least-data defaults to covered services used by minors.
- A covered operator shall not use a high-risk youth-facing feature in a manner prohibited by rule for minors.

Section 5. Minor consent restrictions

- A covered operator shall not treat a minor's passive use, prolonged engagement, or coerced click-through behavior as sufficient consent for covered digital soul uses identified as high-risk by rule.

Section 6. Synthetic-media and identity protections

- A covered operator shall provide expedited complaint intake and review for identity misuse or synthetic-media abuse affecting a minor.
- Minor-protection remedies established by companion acts shall be interpreted broadly to protect the child and narrowly against operator delay.

Section 7. School and youth settings

- A covered operator serving a school, youth, or child-facing setting shall minimize profiling, behavioral manipulation, and nonessential data retention to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Required construction clauses

- Independent operation. This act operates independently and remains effective whether or not any related measure or companion act is adopted.
- Severability. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.
- Single-subject construction. This act shall be construed to embrace only the single subject described in its title and no separate subject shall be inferred from a remedy, definition, recordkeeping duty, funding mechanism, or construction clause that is necessarily and properly connected to that subject.