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HOUSE BILL 25-1231

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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(None),

House Committees

State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING PROTECTING MINORS FROM EXPOSURE TO SEXUAL**
102 **CONTENT.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill prohibits an individual, organization, or entity from:

- Permitting a minor to attend events, performances, or activities explicitly involving sexual content or pornographic materials; or
- Exposing a minor to pornographic materials in any form, including digital, print, or broadcast mediums.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

1 EVENTS, PERFORMANCES, ESTABLISHMENTS, AND VENUES ACCESSIBLE TO
2 THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

3 (4) "SEX EDUCATION" MEANS A PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN,
4 AND SOMETIMES FOR ADULTS, WITH INSTRUCTION ON THE ANATOMY AND
5 PHYSIOLOGY OF SEX, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES, AND PREGNANCY
6 AND HOW TO AVOID SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES AND PREGNANCY.

7 (5) "SEXUAL ACTIVITIES" MEANS ACTS OR SIMULATIONS OF
8 SEXUAL BEHAVIOR INTENDED FOR ADULT AUDIENCES.

9 **18-7-503. Prohibitions.** (1) AN INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATION, OR
10 ENTITY SHALL NOT:

11 (a) PERMIT A MINOR TO ATTEND EVENTS, PERFORMANCES, OR
12 ACTIVITIES EXPLICITLY INVOLVING SEXUAL CONTENT OR PORNOGRAPHIC
13 MATERIALS; OR

14 (b) EXPOSE A MINOR TO PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIALS IN ANY FORM,
15 INCLUDING DIGITAL, PRINT, OR BROADCAST MEDIUMS.

16 **18-7-504. Exceptions.** (1) THIS PART 5 DOES NOT APPLY TO:

17 (a) EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS OR SCHOOL PROGRAMS EXPLICITLY
18 DESIGNED FOR AGE-APPROPRIATE SEX EDUCATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH
19 LOCAL AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS; OR

20 (b) PARENTAL OR GUARDIAN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT SEXUAL HEALTH
21 AND DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATE TO THE CHILD'S MATURITY LEVEL.

22 **18-7-505. Penalties.** (1) (a) AN INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATION, OR
23 ENTITY THAT VIOLATES SECTION 18-7-503 COMMITS AN UNCLASSIFIED
24 MISDEMEANOR, AND THE COURT SHALL IMPOSE A FINE OF UP TO TEN
25 THOUSAND DOLLARS.

26 (b) IN ADDITION TO THE FINE REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF
27 THIS SECTION, A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION OF SECTION 18-7-503

1 IS SUBJECT TO A SENTENCE OF UP TO TWO YEARS IN JAIL.

2 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATION, OR ENTITY THAT VIOLATES
3 SECTION 18-7-503 IS SUBJECT TO REVOCATION OF A BUSINESS LICENSE IF
4 THE VIOLATOR IS AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT KNOWINGLY PERMITS SUCH
5 EXPOSURE.

6 **18-7-506. Enforcement.** (1) LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
7 AGENCIES AND DESIGNATED CHILD PROTECTION AUTHORITIES SHALL
8 ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PART 5.

9 (2) A PERSON MAY REPORT VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 18-7-503
10 ANONYMOUSLY TO CHILD WELFARE HOTLINES OR LOCAL LAW
11 ENFORCEMENT.

12 **18-7-507. Severability.** IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS PART 5 IS
13 FOUND TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL OR OTHERWISE INVALID, THE
14 REMAINING PROVISIONS REMAIN IN EFFECT.

15 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
16 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
17 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
18 general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant
19 to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an
20 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,
21 section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the
22 general election to be held in November 2026 and, in such case, will take
23 effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the
24 governor.

25 (2) This act applies to offenses committed on or after the
26 applicable effective date of this act.