

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

S*0028 (Rat #0082, Act #0057 of 2025) General Bill, By Hutto, Reichenbach, Goldfinch, Leber, Jackson, Alexander, Rice, Fernandez, Campsen, Chaplin, Devine, Adams, Young, Garrett, Elliott, Turner, Ott, Graham, Sutton, Cromer, Verdin, Kennedy, Climer and Zell

Similar (H 3045, H 3620)

Summary: AI Child Abuse

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16-15-390 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF OBSCENE VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, DEFINE TERMS, AND ESTABLISH PENALTIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-430, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO ADD THE OFFENSE OF OBSCENE VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-462, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES. - RATIFIED TITLE

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| 12/11/24 | Senate | Prefiled |
| 12/11/24 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary |
| 01/14/25 | Senate | Introduced and read first time |
| 01/14/25 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary |
| 01/17/25 | Senate | Referred to Subcommittee: Adams (ch), Reichenbach, Devine, Kennedy, Stubbs |
| 02/05/25 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 46) |
| 02/06/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 02/11/25 | Senate | Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 9) |
| 02/11/25 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 9) |
| 02/12/25 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 14) |
| 02/13/25 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 20) |
| 02/13/25 | Senate | Read second time (Senate Journal-page 20) |
| 02/13/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 20) |
| 02/18/25 | Senate | Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 21) |
| 02/18/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 21) |
| 02/19/25 | House | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 62) |
| 02/19/25 | House | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 62) |
| 04/30/25 | House | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 8) |
| 05/01/25 | House | Amended (House Journal-page 53) |
| 05/01/25 | House | Read second time (House Journal-page 53) |
| 05/01/25 | House | Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 69) |
| 05/01/25 | House | Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 70) |
| 05/02/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 05/02/25 | House | Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 6) |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | House amendment amended (Senate Journal-page 84) |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | Returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 84) |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 84) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Non-concurrence in Senate amendment (House Journal-page 119) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Roll call Yeas-0 Nays-107 (House Journal-page 119) |
| 05/08/25 | Senate | Senate insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Hutto, Kimbrell, Adams (Senate Journal-page 10) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Conference committee appointed T Moore, Wetmore, McCabe (House Journal-page 122) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Conference report adopted (House Journal-page 142) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Roll call Yeas-105 Nays-1 (House Journal-page 149) |
| 05/08/25 | Senate | Conference report adopted (Senate Journal-page 11) |
| 05/08/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 11) |
| 05/08/25 | House | Ordered enrolled for ratification (House Journal-page 153) |
| 05/20/25 | | Ratified R 82 |
| 05/22/25 | | Signed By Governor |
| 05/27/25 | | Effective date 05/22/25 |
| 05/27/25 | | Act No. 57 |