

**Session 126 - (2025-2026)**

**S\*0029 (Rat #0083, Act #0058 of 2025) General Bill, By Hutto, Reichenbach, Goldfinch, Leber, Jackson, Alexander, Rice, Fernandez, Campsen, Chaplin, Devine, Adams, Young, Garrett, Elliott, Turner, Ott, Graham, Cromer, Verdin and Kennedy**

**Similar (H 3043, H 3046)**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-375, RELATING TO THE DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO THE DISSEMINATION OF HARMFUL MATERIAL TO MINORS, SO AS TO DEFINE "IDENTIFIABLE MINOR" AND "MORPHED IMAGE"; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-395, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF FIRST DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF MINORS, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-405, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF SECOND DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF MINORS, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-410, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF THIRD DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF MINORS, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS; BY ADDING SECTION 16-15-412 SO AS TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR ARREST WARRANTS WHEN THE OFFENSE INCLUDES MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-430, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO INCLUDE THOSE GUILTY OF CRIMINAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF MINORS IN THE FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD DEGREE ON THE APPROPRIATE TIERS OF THE REGISTRY; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-462, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES. - RATIFIED TITLE

- 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**
- 01/15/25 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 01/17/25 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Adams (ch), Reichenbach, Devine, Kennedy, Stubbs**
- 01/21/25 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 02/05/25 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 47)**
- 02/06/25 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 02/12/25 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 8)**
- 02/12/25 Senate Amended (Senate Journal-page 8)**
- 02/12/25 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 8)**
- 02/12/25 Senate Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 8)**
- 02/13/25 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 15)**
- 02/19/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 63)**
- 02/19/25 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 63)**
- 02/25/25 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 04/30/25 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 9)**
- 05/01/25 House Amended (House Journal-page 71)**
- 05/01/25 House Read second time (House Journal-page 71)**
- 05/01/25 House Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 86)**
- 05/01/25 House Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 88)**
- 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 87)**
- 05/06/25 Senate Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 87)**
- 05/06/25 Senate Returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 87)**
- 05/08/25 House Non-concurrence in Senate amendment (House Journal-page 71)**
- 05/08/25 House Roll call Yeas-0 Nays-105 (House Journal-page 72)**
- 05/08/25 Senate Senate insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Hutto, Kimbrell, Adams (Senate Journal-page 20)**
- 05/08/25 House Conference committee appointed T Moore, Wetmore, McCabe (House Journal-page 97)**
- 05/08/25 House Conference report adopted (House Journal-page 129)**
- 05/08/25 House Roll call Yeas-98 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 138)**
- 05/08/25 Senate Conference report adopted (Senate Journal-page 22)**

<b>05/08/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0</b>
<b>05/08/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Ordered enrolled for ratification (House Journal-page 151)</b>
<b>05/20/25</b>		<b>Ratified R 83</b>
<b>05/22/25</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>05/27/25</b>		<b>Effective date 05/22/25</b>
<b>05/27/25</b>		<b>Act No. 58</b>