

1 HB351  
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3 By Representatives Hurst, Thomas (E), Greeson and Oden  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Existing law does not provide for the  
9 castration of certain convicted sex offenders.

10 This bill would provide that any person over  
11 the age of 21 years who is convicted of certain sex  
12 offenses against a child 12 years of age or younger  
13 would be surgically castrated before his or her  
14 release from the custody of the Department of  
15 Corrections. This bill would require that the cost  
16 of the procedure be paid by the adult criminal sex  
17 offender.

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19 A BILL  
20 TO BE ENTITLED  
21 AN ACT  
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23 Relating to punishment of sex offenders; to provide  
24 that any person over the age of 21 years who is convicted of  
25 certain sex offenses against a child 12 years of age or  
26 younger would be surgically castrated before his or her  
27 release from the custody of the Department of Corrections; and

1 to require the cost of the procedure to be paid by the adult  
2 criminal sex offender.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
5 law, any time the victim is 12 years old or less and the adult  
6 criminal sex offender, as defined in Section 15-20-21(1), Code  
7 of Alabama 1975, is 21 years or older at the time of the  
8 offense, the criminal sex offender shall be surgically  
9 castrated before being released from the custody of the  
10 Department of Corrections. The cost of the procedure shall be  
11 paid by the adult criminal sex offender.

12 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
13 first day of the third month following its passage and  
14 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.