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3 By Representative Underwood
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to sex offenders; to amend Sections 15-20A-13
5 and 15-20A-31, Code of Alabama 1975, to prohibit sex offenders
6 from being employed or volunteering as a first responder.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. Sections 15-20A-13 and 15-20A-31, Code of
9 Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

10 "§15-20A-13

11 (a) No adult sex offender shall accept or maintain
12 employment or a volunteer position at any school, childcare
13 facility, mobile vending business that provides services
14 primarily to children, or any other business or organization
15 that provides services primarily to children, or any amusement
16 or water park.

17 (b) No adult sex offender shall accept or maintain
18 employment or a volunteer position within 2,000 feet of the
19 property on which a school or childcare facility is located
20 unless otherwise exempted pursuant to Sections 15-20A-24 and
21 15-20A-25.

22 (c) No adult sex offender, after having been convicted
23 of a sex offense involving a child, shall accept or maintain
24 employment or a volunteer position within 500 feet of a
25 playground, park, athletic field or facility, or any other
26 business or facility having a principal purpose of caring for,
27 educating, or entertaining minors.

28 (d) Changes to property within 2,000 feet of an adult



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sex offender's place of employment which occur after an adult sex offender accepts employment shall not form the basis for finding that an adult sex offender is in violation of this section.

(e) It shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of any childcare facility or any other organization that provides services primarily to children to knowingly provide employment or a volunteer position to an adult sex offender.

(f) For the purposes of this section, the 2,000-foot measurement shall be taken in a straight line from nearest property line to nearest property line.

(g) (1) No adult sex offender shall accept or maintain employment or a volunteer position as a first responder.

(2) For the purposes of this section, a "first responder" means a paramedic, firefighter, rescue squad member, emergency medical technician, or other individual who, in the course of his or her professional duties, responds to fire, medical, hazardous material, or other similar emergencies, whether compensated or not.

~~(g)~~ (h) Any person who knowingly violates this section shall be guilty of a Class C felony."

"§15-20A-31

(a) During the time a juvenile sex offender is subject to the registration requirements of this chapter, the juvenile sex offender shall not accept or maintain employment or a volunteer position at any school, childcare facility, or any other business or organization that provides services primarily to children.



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(b) It shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of any childcare facility or any other organization that provides services primarily to children to knowingly provide employment or a volunteer position to a juvenile sex offender.

(c) (1) No juvenile sex offender shall accept or maintain employment or a volunteer position as a first responder.

(2) For the purposes of this section, a "first responder" means a paramedic, firefighter, rescue squad member, emergency medical technician, or other individual who, in the course of his or her professional duties, responds to fire, medical, hazardous material, or other similar emergencies, whether compensated or not.

~~(c)~~ (d) Any person who knowingly violates this section shall be guilty of a Class C felony."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2025.



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93 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and
94 was passed by the House 13-Feb-25.
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