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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, individuals and entities are entitled to enter into various types of agreements that prohibit a party to the agreement or another individual or entity from discussing or disclosing certain information.

This bill would render unenforceable any provision of an agreement that prohibits an individual or entity from disclosing certain acts of sexual abuse or facts related to certain acts of sexual abuse.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to civil procedure; to render unenforceable any provision of an agreement that prohibits an individual or entity from disclosing certain acts of sexual abuse or facts related to certain acts of sexual abuse.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as Trey's Law.

Section 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:



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(1) Sexual abuse causes significant and lasting harm to individuals and society as a whole.

(2) Sexual abuse survivors often experience long-term physical, psychological, and emotional trauma.

(3) The State of Alabama has a compelling interest in preventing sexual abuse, supporting victims, and ensuring that the law does not shield perpetrators or impede public safety.

(4) Any agreement that prohibits an individual or entity from disclosing an act of sexual abuse or facts related to an act of sexual abuse is against the public policy of this state.

(5) This act is intended to protect survivors' rights to speak freely and to maintain privacy and confidentiality regarding their identities, experiences, and trauma.

Section 3. (a) For the purposes of this section, the term "sexual abuse" means any conduct that would constitute a criminal violation of Articles 4, 4A, 4B, 6, 6A, 8, or 11 of Chapter 6 of Title 13A, Code of Alabama 1975, or any of the offenses listed in Section 15-20A-5, Code of Alabama 1975, regardless of whether the conduct has led to a criminal charge, conviction, adjudication, or sentence.

(b) (1) Any provision of a nondisclosure agreement, confidentiality agreement, employment agreement, settlement agreement, or any other type of agreement that prohibits an individual or entity from disclosing an act of sexual abuse or facts related to an act of sexual abuse to another individual or entity is void and unenforceable.

(2) This subsection shall apply to any agreement



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57 entered into, executed, or amended on or after October 1,
58 2026, and shall apply solely to elements of an agreement
59 related to the act of sexual abuse and shall not apply to
60 other aspects of an agreement, including, but not limited to,
61 compensation.

62 Section 4. This act shall become effective on October
63 1, 2026.