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Relating to child sexual abuse material; to amend Sections 13A-6-240, as last amended by Act 2023-464, 2023 Regular Session, 13A-12-190, 13A-12-191, 13A-12-192, 13A-12-193, 13A-12-194, 13A-12-196, 13A-12-197, and 13A-12-198, Code of Alabama 1975; to further provide for the age of a child for offenses involving child sexual abuse material; to provide for exceptions; to provide a cause of action for certain offenses involving child sexual abuse material; to provide for exceptions; to authorize a court to award punitive damages against an individual who commits certain offenses involving child sexual abuse material; to direct the State Board of Education to require local school boards to develop policies related to certain crimes; to repeal Section 13A-12-195, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the commercial exploitation of child sexual abuse material; to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style; and in connection therewith would have as its purpose or effect the requirement of a new or increased expenditure of local funds within the meaning of Section 111.05 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Alabama Child Protection Act of 2024.



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29           Section 2. The Legislature finds and declares the  
30 following:

31           (1) Child pornography harms and debases the most  
32 defenseless of our residents.

33           (2) Child pornography is not entitled to protection  
34 under the First Amendment.

35           (3) The State of Alabama has a compelling state  
36 interest in protecting children from those who sexually  
37 exploit them, including both child molesters and child  
38 pornographers, and this interest extends to stamping out the  
39 vice of child pornography, also referred to as child sexual  
40 abuse material, at all levels in the distribution chain.

41           (4) The state thus has a compelling interest in  
42 ensuring that the criminal prohibitions against child sexual  
43 abuse material remain enforceable and effective.

44           (5) Artificially-generated child sexual abuse material  
45 is virtually indistinguishable from actual child sexual abuse  
46 material.

47           (6) With artificial technology, perpetrators can now  
48 computer-generate depictions of children that are  
49 indistinguishable from depictions of real children; use parts  
50 of images of real children to create a composite image that is  
51 unidentifiable as a particular child and in a way that  
52 prevents even an expert from concluding that parts of images  
53 of real children were used; and disguise pictures of real  
54 children being abused by making the image look  
55 computer-generated.

56           (7) Child sexual abuse material results from the abuse



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57 of real children by sex offenders. The production of child  
58 sexual abuse material is a byproduct of the sexual abuse of  
59 children. There is no evidence that the development of  
60 artificially-generated child sexual abuse material would stop  
61 or even reduce the sexual abuse of real children or the  
62 practice of visually recording that abuse.

63 (8) Artificially-generated child sexual abuse material  
64 re-victimizes actual child victims, as their images are  
65 collected from the Internet and studied by artificial  
66 intelligence tools to create new images.

67 (9) Artificially-generated child sexual abuse material  
68 whets the appetites of child molesters who may use the images  
69 to seduce children.

70 (10) The danger to children who are seduced and  
71 molested with the aid of child sexual abuse material is just  
72 as great when the child molester or child pornographer uses  
73 child sexual abuse material produced wholly or in part by  
74 electronic, mechanical, or other means as when the material  
75 consists of images of actual children engaged in sexually  
76 explicit conduct.

77 (11) Artificially-generated child sexual abuse material  
78 provides another means by which child pornographers can profit  
79 from child sexual abuse.

80 (12) Because artificially-generated child sexual abuse  
81 material can be swiftly generated in bulk, law enforcement  
82 will often discover large amounts on seized devices,  
83 complicating investigations and interfering with efforts to  
84 identify and protect child victims and stop the dissemination



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85 of the material.

86 (13) Many criminal defendants argue that the images of  
87 child sexual abuse material they possess are not those of  
88 actual children, insisting that the state prove beyond a  
89 reasonable doubt that the images are not  
90 artificially-generated.

91 (14) In the absence of state legislative action, the  
92 difficulties the state has experienced in enforcing child  
93 pornography laws will continue to intensify and threaten to  
94 render unenforceable laws that protect actual children.

95 (15) Imposing an additional requirement that the state  
96 prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant knew that  
97 the image was in fact an actual child, as some courts have  
98 done, threatens to result in the de facto legalization of the  
99 possession, receipt, and distribution of child sexual abuse  
100 material for all except the original producers of the  
101 material.

102 (16) To avoid this grave threat to the state's  
103 unquestioned compelling interest in effective enforcement of  
104 the sexual abuse laws that protect actual children, a statute  
105 must be adopted that prohibits a well-defined subcategory of  
106 images.

107 (17) For these reasons, actual and  
108 artificially-generated child sexual abuse material, which are  
109 virtually indistinguishable, must now be considered legally  
110 indistinguishable and subject to the criminal penalties  
111 provided in current law.

112 Section 3. Section 13A-6-240, as last amended by Act



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113 2023-464, 2023 Regular Session, Sections 13A-12-190,  
114 13A-12-191, 13A-12-192, 13A-12-193, 13A-12-194, 13A-12-196,  
115 13A-12-197, and 13A-12-198, Code of Alabama 1975, are amended  
116 to read as follows:

117 "§13A-6-240

118 (a) A person commits the crime of distributing a  
119 private image if he or she knowingly posts, emails, texts,  
120 transmits, or otherwise distributes a private image when the  
121 depicted ~~person~~ individual has not consented to the  
122 transmission and the depicted ~~person~~ individual had a  
123 reasonable expectation of privacy against transmission of the  
124 private image.

125 (b) (1) For purposes of this section, "private image"  
126 means a photograph, digital image, video, film, or other  
127 recording of ~~a person~~ an individual who is identifiable from  
128 the recording itself or from the circumstances of its  
129 transmission and who is engaged in any act of ~~sadomasochistic~~  
130 ~~abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual excitement, masturbation,~~  
131 ~~breast nudity, as defined in Section 13A-12-190, genital~~  
132 ~~nudity, or other sexual conduct~~ sexually explicit conduct, as  
133 defined in Section 13A-12-190.

134 (2) The term includes a recording that has been edited,  
135 altered, or otherwise manipulated from its original form.

136 (c) (1) For purposes of this section, a "reasonable  
137 expectation of privacy" includes, but is not limited to,  
138 either of the following circumstances:

139 a. The ~~person~~ individual depicted in the private image  
140 created it or consented to its creation believing that it



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141 would remain confidential.

142           b. The sexual conduct depicted in the image was  
143 involuntary.

144           (2) There is no reasonable expectation of privacy  
145 against the transmission of a private image made voluntarily  
146 in a public or commercial setting.

147           (d) It is a defense to distributing a private image if  
148 the distribution of the private image was made in the public  
149 interest, including, but not limited to, the reporting of  
150 unlawful conduct; the lawful and common practices of law  
151 enforcement, legal proceedings, or medical treatment; or a  
152 bona fide attempt to prevent further distribution of the  
153 private image.

154           (e) For the purposes of determining jurisdiction, the  
155 crime of distributing a private image shall be considered to  
156 be committed in any county in which any part of the crime took  
157 place, in the county of residence of the victim or defendant,  
158 or any county where the image is received.

159           (f) A violation of this section is a Class A  
160 misdemeanor. A subsequent adjudication or conviction under  
161 this section is a Class C felony.

162           (g) No Internet service provider, search engine, cloud  
163 service provider, or affiliate or subsidiary of any of the  
164 same, shall be held to have violated this section solely for  
165 providing access or connection to or from a website, other  
166 information or content on the Internet, or a facility, system,  
167 or network not under the control of the provider, including,  
168 but not limited to, the transmission, download, or



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169 intermediate storage of content that is child sexual abuse  
170 material."

171 "§13A-12-190

172 For the purposes of this division, the following terms  
173 ~~shall have the following meanings respectively ascribed to~~  
174 ~~them by this section:~~

175 ~~(1)~~ (4) DISSEMINATE. To transmit, distribute, sell,  
176 lend, provide, transfer, or show, including through electronic  
177 means.

178 ~~(2)~~ (3) DISPLAY PUBLICLY. The exposing, placing,  
179 posting, exhibiting, or in any fashion displaying in any  
180 location, whether public or private, an item in ~~such~~ a manner  
181 that it may be readily seen and its content or character  
182 distinguished by normal unaided vision viewing it from a  
183 public thoroughfare, depot, or vehicle.

184 ~~(3)~~ (9) PUBLIC THOROUGHFARE, DEPOT, OR VEHICLE. Any  
185 street, highway, park, depot, or transportation platform or  
186 other place, whether indoors or ~~out~~ outdoors, or any vehicle  
187 for public transportation, owned or operated by government,  
188 either directly or through a public corporation or authority,  
189 or owned or operated by any agency of public transportation  
190 that is designed for the use, enjoyment, or transportation of  
191 the general public.

192 ~~(4)~~ (6) KNOWINGLY. A person knowingly ~~disseminates or~~  
193 ~~publicly displays obscene matter~~ acts when the person knows  
194 the nature of the ~~matter~~ child sexual abuse material. A person  
195 knows the nature of the ~~matter~~ material when either of the  
196 following circumstances exist:





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197 a. The person is aware of the character and content of  
198 the ~~matter~~material.

199 b. The person recklessly disregards circumstances  
200 suggesting the character and content of the ~~matter~~material.

201 ~~(5)~~(10) ~~SADO-MASOCHISTIC~~SADOMASOCHISTIC ABUSE. Such  
202 ~~term means either~~Either of the following:

203 a. Flagellation or torture, for the purpose of sexual  
204 stimulation, by or upon ~~a person~~an individual who is nude or  
205 clad in undergarments or in a revealing or bizarre costume.

206 b. The condition of ~~a person~~an individual who is nude  
207 or clad in undergarments or in a revealing or bizarre costume  
208 being fettered, bound, or otherwise physically restrained for  
209 the purpose of sexual stimulation.

210 ~~(6)~~(12) SEXUAL EXCITEMENT. The condition of human male  
211 or female genitals when in a state of sexual stimulation.

212 ~~(7)~~(13) SEXUAL INTERCOURSE. Intercourse, real or  
213 simulated, whether genital-genital, oral-genital,  
214 anal-genital, or oral-anal, whether between ~~persons~~  
215 individuals of the same or opposite sex or between a human and  
216 an animal.

217 ~~(8)~~(7) MASTURBATION. Manipulation, by hand or  
218 instrument, of the human genitals, whether one's own or  
219 another's for the purpose of sexual stimulation.

220 ~~(9)~~(8) OTHER SEXUAL CONDUCT. Any touching of the  
221 genitals, pubic areas, or buttocks of the human male or  
222 female, or the breasts of the female, whether alone or between  
223 members of the same or opposite sex or between humans and  
224 animals in an act of apparent sexual stimulation or



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225 gratification.

226 ~~(10)~~ (1) BREAST NUDITY. The lewd showing of the  
227 post-pubertal human female breasts below a point immediately  
228 above the top of the areola.

229 ~~(11)~~ (5) GENITAL NUDITY. The lewd showing of the  
230 genitals or pubic area.

231 ~~(12)~~ MATTER. Any book, magazine, newspaper, or other  
232 printed material, or any picture, photograph, motion picture,  
233 video cassette, tape, record, digital video disc (DVD), video  
234 compilation, or electronic depiction in a comparable format,  
235 or an image, file, download, or other content stored, or  
236 reproduced by using a computer or electronic device or other  
237 digital storage, or any other thing, articles, or materials  
238 that either are or contain a photographic or other visual  
239 depiction of a live act, performance, or event.

240 ~~(13)~~ OBSCENE. a. When used to describe any matter that  
241 contains a visual reproduction of breast nudity, the term  
242 shall include all of the following:

243 1. Applying contemporary local community standards, on  
244 the whole, appeals to the prurient interest.

245 2. Is patently offensive.

246 3. On the whole, lacks serious literary, artistic,  
247 political, or scientific value.

248 b. When used to describe matter that is a depiction of  
249 an act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual  
250 excitement, masturbation, genital nudity, or other sexual  
251 conduct, the term means matter containing a visual  
252 reproduction that itself lacks serious literary, artistic,



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253 ~~political, or scientific value.~~

254 ~~(14) LOCAL COMMUNITY. The judicial circuit in which the~~  
255 ~~indictment is brought.~~

256 ~~(15) VISUAL DEPICTION. A portrayal, representation,~~  
257 ~~illustration, image, likeness, or other thing that creates a~~  
258 ~~sensory impression, whether an original, duplicate, or~~  
259 ~~reproduction.~~

260 ~~(16)~~ (11) SEPARATE OFFENSE. The depiction of an  
261 individual less than ~~17~~ 18 years of age that violates this  
262 division shall constitute a separate offense for each single  
263 visual depiction.

264 (2) CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL. Any visual depiction  
265 of an individual under 18 years of age engaged in any act of  
266 sexually explicit conduct, including a virtually  
267 indistinguishable depiction.

268 (14) SEXUALLY EXPLICIT CONDUCT. Actual or simulated  
269 conduct that includes sadomasochistic abuse, sexual  
270 excitement, sexual intercourse, masturbation, breast nudity,  
271 genital nudity, or other sexual conduct.

272 (15) VIRTUALLY INDISTINGUISHABLE DEPICTION. A visual  
273 depiction created, altered, or produced by digital, computer  
274 generated, or other means that a reasonable person would  
275 conclude is of an actual individual under 18 years of age  
276 engaged in sexually explicit conduct."

277 "§13A-12-191

278 (a) Any person who shall knowingly disseminate or  
279 display publicly any ~~obscene matter containing a visual~~  
280 ~~depiction of a person under the age of 17 years engaged in any~~



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281 ~~act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual~~  
282 ~~excitement, masturbation, breast nudity, genital nudity, or~~  
283 ~~other sexual conduct~~ child sexual abuse material shall be  
284 guilty of a Class B felony.

285 (b) Any person who shall knowingly advertise, promote,  
286 present, distribute, or solicit by any means, including by  
287 computer, any material or purported material in a manner that  
288 reflects the belief, or that is intended to cause another to  
289 believe, that the material or purported material is a visual  
290 depiction of an actual individual under 18 years of age  
291 engaging in sexually explicit conduct shall be guilty of a  
292 Class B felony."

293 "§13A-12-192

294 (a) Any person who knowingly possesses with intent to  
295 disseminate any ~~obscene matter that contains a visual~~  
296 ~~depiction of a person under the age of 17 years engaged in any~~  
297 ~~act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual~~  
298 ~~excitement, masturbation, breast nudity, genital nudity, or~~  
299 ~~other sexual conduct~~ child sexual abuse material shall be  
300 guilty of a Class B felony. Any transfer of ~~the visual~~  
301 ~~depiction~~ child sexual abuse material from any electronic  
302 device to any other device, program, application, or any other  
303 place with storage capability ~~which~~ that can be made available  
304 or is accessible by other users, is prima facie evidence of  
305 possession with intent to disseminate.

306 (b) Any person who knowingly possesses any ~~obscene~~  
307 ~~matter that contains a visual depiction of a person under the~~  
308 ~~age of 17 years engaged in any act of sado-masochistic abuse,~~



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309 ~~sexual intercourse, sexual excitement, masturbation, breast~~  
310 ~~nudity, genital nudity, or other sexual conduct~~ child sexual  
311 abuse material shall be guilty of a Class C felony."

312 "§13A-12-193

313 (a) In proving that ~~a person~~ an individual in a visual  
314 depiction who is engaged in any ~~obscene act set out in~~  
315 ~~Sections 13A-12-191, 13A-12-192, 13A-12-196 and 13A-12-197~~  
316 sexually explicit conduct is under ~~the age of 17-18 years of~~  
317 age, the state is not required to introduce into evidence a  
318 birth certificate, produce testimony as to the date of birth  
319 of ~~such person~~ the individual, or produce testimony of any  
320 person who knows or is acquainted with the ~~person~~ individual  
321 alleged to be under ~~the age of 17-18 years of age~~. If the  
322 defendant or the state intends to rely on a birth certificate  
323 to prove the date of birth of any ~~person in the visually~~  
324 ~~reproduced matter~~ individual, ~~such the~~ defendant or the state  
325 shall file with the clerk of the court in which the action is  
326 pending, at least 15 days prior to trial, a notice of an  
327 intention to rely on an official, certified copy of a birth  
328 certificate together with a copy of the birth certificate.

329 (b) ~~A jury, or the court if a jury trial is waived,~~ The  
330 factfinder may infer from the following factors whether or not  
331 the ~~person~~ individual displayed or depicted in any ~~obscene~~  
332 ~~matter~~ visual depiction is under ~~the age of 17-18 years of~~  
333 age:

334 (1) The general body growth and bone structure of the  
335 ~~person~~ individual.

336 (2) The development of pubic hair or body hair on the



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337 ~~person~~, individual.

338 (3) The development of the ~~person's~~ individual's sexual  
339 organs ~~+~~.

340 (4) The context in which the ~~person~~ individual is  
341 placed by any accompanying printed or text material ~~+~~.

342 (5) Any expert testimony as to the degree of maturity  
343 of the ~~person~~ individual.

344 (c) The existence of any or all of the factors listed  
345 in subsection ~~(b)~~ of this section (a) shall not operate to  
346 change the requirement that before any conviction may be had,  
347 the state must convince the factfinder beyond a reasonable  
348 doubt that the ~~person~~ individual engaged in the act ~~of~~  
349 ~~sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual excitement,~~  
350 ~~masturbation, breast nudity, genital nudity, or other sexual~~  
351 ~~conduct in the visual depiction~~ sexually explicit conduct is  
352 or is virtually indistinguishable from an individual under the  
353 age of 17-18 years of age.

354 (d) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under  
355 this division if the actual individual purported to be under  
356 18 years of age and engaged in sexually explicit conduct was  
357 an actual individual 18 years of age or older at the time of  
358 the offense."

359 "§13A-12-194

360 The state shall not be required to establish the actual  
361 existence or identity, either in the indictment or in any  
362 subsequent proceeding, of the ~~person~~ individual alleged to be  
363 under ~~the age of 17-18 years~~ of age who is engaged in any ~~of~~  
364 ~~the acts described in Sections 13A-12-191, 13A-12-192,~~



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365 ~~13A-12-196 and 13A-12-197, which are visual depiction~~ act of  
366 sexually explicit conduct."

367 "§13A-12-196

368 Any ~~parent or guardian~~ responsible person, as defined in  
369 Section 26-15-2, who knowingly permits or allows their child,  
370 ward, or dependent under ~~the age of 17-18~~ years of age to  
371 engage in the production of any ~~obscene matter~~ child sexual  
372 abuse material containing a visual depiction of ~~such~~ the  
373 child, ward, or dependent ~~under the age of 17 years engaged in~~  
374 ~~any act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual excitement,~~  
375 ~~masturbation, breast nudity, genital nudity, or other sexual~~  
376 ~~conduct~~ shall be guilty of a Class A felony."

377 "§13A-12-197

378 ~~(a) Any person who knowingly films, prints, records,~~  
379 ~~photographs, or otherwise produces any obscene matter that~~  
380 ~~contains a visual depiction of a person under the age of 17~~  
381 ~~years engaged in any act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual~~  
382 ~~intercourse, sexual excitement, masturbation, breast nudity,~~  
383 ~~genital nudity, or other sexual conduct~~ child sexual abuse  
384 material shall be guilty of a Class A felony.

385 ~~(b) For any person who violates this section, each~~  
386 ~~depiction of each individual less than 17 years of age~~  
387 ~~constitutes a separate offense."~~

388 "§13A-12-198

389 Any article, equipment, machine, materials, matter,  
390 vehicle, or other thing ~~whatsoever~~ used in the commercial  
391 production, transportation, dissemination, display, or storage  
392 of any ~~obscene matter displaying or depicting a person under~~



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393 ~~the age of 17 years engaged in any of the obscene acts~~  
394 ~~described in Sections 13A-12-191, 13A-12-192, 13A-12-196 and~~  
395 ~~13A-12-197~~ child sexual abuse material shall be contraband and  
396 shall be forfeited to the State of Alabama. The manner,  
397 method, and procedure for the forfeiture and condemnation of  
398 ~~such~~ the thing shall be the same as that provided by law for  
399 the confiscation ~~or~~, condemnation, or forfeiture of  
400 automobiles, conveyances, or vehicles in which alcoholic  
401 beverages are illegally transported."

402 Section 4. (a) For the purposes of Division 4 of  
403 Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 13A, Code of Alabama 1975,  
404 each depiction of child sexual abuse material that violates  
405 any section constitutes a separate offense.

406 (b) No Internet service provider, search engine, cloud  
407 service provider, or affiliate or subsidiary of any of the  
408 same, shall be held to have violated this division solely for  
409 providing access or connection to or from a website, other  
410 information or content on the Internet, or a facility, system,  
411 or network not under the control of the provider, including,  
412 but not limited to, the transmission, download, or  
413 intermediate storage of content that is child sexual abuse  
414 material.

415 Section 5. (a) An individual who commits any of the  
416 following crimes is civilly liable to the individual depicted  
417 in the relevant image:

418 (1) Distributing a private image, pursuant to Section  
419 13A-6-240, Code of Alabama 1975.

420 (2) Dissemination, distribution, or public display of





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421 child sexual abuse material, pursuant to Section 13A-12-191,  
422 Code of Alabama 1975.

423 (3) Possession of child sexual abuse material, pursuant  
424 to Section 13A-12-192, Code of Alabama 1975.

425 (4) Possession with intent to distribute child sexual  
426 abuse material, pursuant to Section 13A-12-192, Code of  
427 Alabama 1975.

428 (5) Permitting or allowing a child, ward, or dependent  
429 to engage in production of child sexual abuse material as a  
430 parent or guardian, pursuant to Section 13A-12-196, Code of  
431 Alabama 1975.

432 (6) Production of child sexual abuse material, pursuant  
433 to Section 13A-12-197, Code of Alabama 1975.

434 (7) Advertising, promoting, presenting, or soliciting  
435 child sexual abuse material, pursuant to Section 13A-12-191,  
436 Code of Alabama 1975.

437 (b) No civil action may be brought pursuant to this  
438 section for actions taken to prevent, detect, protect against,  
439 report, or respond to the production, generation,  
440 incorporation, or synthesization through artificial  
441 intelligence of child sexual abuse material.

442 Section 6. Civil liability pursuant to Section 5 shall  
443 consist of all of the following:

444 (1) The full actual damages incurred.

445 (2) Court costs and reasonable attorney fees.

446 (3) Punitive damages, if the plaintiff proves by clear  
447 and convincing evidence that the defendant consciously or  
448 deliberately engaged in wantonness or malice with regard to



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449 the plaintiff, as defined in Section 6-11-20, Code of Alabama  
450 1975.

451 Section 7. The State Board of Education shall require  
452 each local board of education to do all of the following  
453 before the start of the 2024-2025 school year:

454 (1) Develop a written policy on student discipline and  
455 education related to the distribution of private images as  
456 defined in Section 13A-6-240, Code of Alabama 1975, and the  
457 distribution, dissemination, public display, advertising,  
458 promoting, presenting, soliciting, possession, possession with  
459 intent to distribute, and production of child sexual abuse  
460 material as defined in Division 4 of Article 4 of Chapter 12  
461 of Title 13A, Code of Alabama 1975.

462 (2) Include within the written policy a prohibition of  
463 private, explicit, or pornographic images generated with  
464 artificial intelligence.

465 (3) Broadly disseminate the policy following its  
466 adoption.

467 (4) Distribute copies of the policy to all teachers,  
468 staff, parents, and students.

469 Section 8. Section 13A-12-195, Code of Alabama 1975,  
470 relating to the commercial exploitation of obscene material,  
471 is repealed.

472 Section 9. Although this bill would have as its purpose  
473 or effect the requirement of a new or increased expenditure of  
474 local funds, the bill is excluded from further requirements  
475 and application under Section 111.05 of the Constitution of  
476 Alabama of 2022, because the bill defines a new crime or



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477 amends the definition of an existing crime.

478 Section 10. This act shall become effective on October

479 1, 2024.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 22-Feb-24.

John Treadwell  
Clerk

Senate

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**11-Apr-24**

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