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## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1708**

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 568, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to failing to report suspicious photographs involving a child, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 568, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 568.055, to read as follows:

568.055. 1. A person commits the crime of failing to report suspicious photographs involving a child if such person:

- (1) Develops photographs through the course of such person's employment; and
- (2) Notices a photograph that appears to such person to depict the neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse or other pornographic depiction of what appears to such person to be a child; and
- (3) Knowingly fails to report such photograph to such person's local law enforcement agency; or
- 9 (4) Fails to retain such photograph until such law enforcement agency has had the opportunity to inspect such photograph.
  - 2. As used in this section "child" means a person under the age of seventeen.
- 3. Failing to report suspicious photographs involving a child for a first offense is a class A misdemeanor. For a second or subsequent offense, it is a class D felony.

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