

HB 1426 -- AGE VERIFICATION FOR PORNOGRAPHIC WEBSITES

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This bill requires any commercial entity that knowingly or intentionally publishes or distributes on the internet material harmful to minors, as defined in the bill, to verify that any person attempting to access the material is at least 18 years old. The requirement to verify the age of users only applies to websites for which more than 33 1/3% of the total material meets the definition of material harmful to minors. Any commercial entity that violates these provisions will be subject to civil liability for damages resulting from a minor's access to the material. The bill does not impose an obligation or liability on a provider or user of an interactive computer service on the internet.