

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 119

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

CRIME: Provides relative to unlawful conduct involving images of another person created by artificial intelligence

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:73.14(D) and 81.1.1(D)(1) and to enact R.S. 14:73.14.1 and  
3 81.1.1(A)(3), relative to computer-related crime; to provide relative to the crime of  
4 unlawful dissemination or sale of images of another created by artificial intelligence;  
5 to provide for penalties; to create the crime of unlawful possession of images of  
6 another created by artificial intelligence and provide for elements, definitions,  
7 penalties, and exceptions; to provide relative to the crime of sexting; to provide for  
8 conduct that constitutes the crime of sexting; to provide for penalties; and to provide  
9 for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 14:73.14(D) and 81.1.1(D)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted and  
12 R.S. 14:73.14.1 and 81.1.1(A)(3) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 §73.14. Unlawful dissemination or sale of images of another created by artificial  
14 intelligence

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16 D.(1) ~~Whoever~~ Except as provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection,  
17 whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be imprisoned with or without  
18 hard labor for not more than ~~six months~~ one year, fined not more than ~~seven hundred~~  
19 ~~fifty~~ one thousand dollars, or both.





## DIGEST

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HB 119 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to unlawful conduct involving images of another person created by artificial intelligence.

Present law (R.S. 14:73.14) provides for the crime of unlawful dissemination or sale of images of another created by artificial intelligence.

Present law provides for a penalty of imprisonment for not more than six months, a fine of not more \$750, or both.

Proposed law changes the penalties as follows:

- (1) From imprisonment of not more than six months or a fine of not more than \$750, or both, to imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than one year or a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both.
- (2) When the depicted person is a minor, imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than five years with at least one year of the sentence being without benefit of probation, suspension of sentence, or parole.

Proposed law (R.S. 14:73.14.1) creates the crime of unlawful possession of images of another created by artificial intelligence and provides for elements, definitions, and exceptions.

Proposed law further provides for a penalty of imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than five years with at least one year of the sentence imposed to be served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Present law (R.S. 14:81.1.1) provides for the crime of sexting.

Proposed law retains present law and further prohibits a person under the age of 17 from unlawfully disseminating, possessing, or selling images of another created by artificial intelligence.

Present law provides that an offender who violates certain provisions of present law (R.S. 14:81.1(A)(1)) is subject to disposition in accordance with present law (Title VII of the La. Children's Code).

Proposed law retains present law and provides that disposition in accordance with present law (Title VII of the La. Children's Code) shall govern a violation of proposed law.

Proposed law shall be cited and referred to as "The Ivy Daniels Act".

(Amends R.S. 14:73.14(D) and 81.1.1(D)(1); Adds R.S. 14:73.14.1 and 81.1.1(A)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Remove possession as unlawful conduct relative to the dissemination or sale of AI images as provided in present law (R.S. 14:73.14).
3. Change the term "victim" to "depicted person" within the penalty provision for a violation of present law (R.S. 14:73.14) that involves a person under the age of 17.
4. Create the new crime of unlawful possession of images of another created by AI and provide for elements, definitions, exceptions, and penalties.
5. Designate proposed law as "The Ivy Daniels Act".