## DIGEST

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HB No. 258

**Abstract:** Creates the crime of unlawful distribution of material harmful to minors through the Internet and provides elements and criminal penalties for the offense.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the crime of unlawful distribution of material harmful to minors through the Internet, providing that any person or entity in La. that publishes material harmful to minors on the Internet shall require the use of an age verification system to access such material.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for definitions of the following terms: "age verification system", "descriptions or depictions of illicit sex or sexual immorality", "material harmful to minors", and "minor".

Provides that whoever violates the provisions of proposed law shall be fined up to \$10,000.

(Adds R.S. 14:91.14)