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Abstract: Provides relative to the use of technology in the commission of certain sex offenses against minors.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the crime of computer-aided solicitation of a minor which prohibits persons 17 and older from using electronic textual communication for the purpose of persuading a person under age 17 to engage in sexual conduct.

<u>Present law</u> also provides penalties for whomever commits the crime of computer-aided solicitation of a minor.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that it shall also be a violation of <u>present law</u> when a person 17 years of age or older uses another person 17 years of age or older to contact a person under the age of 17 years and there is an age difference of greater than two years between the person contacted and the offender.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the crime of prohibited sexual conduct between an educator and a student and provides penalties.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and specifies that lewd or lascivious acts committed in the virtual or physical presence of a student are also in violation of <u>present law</u>.

Proposed law defines "virtual".

Present law provides for the crime of video voyeurism and provides penalties.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that it shall also be a violation of <u>present law</u> when an adult manipulates a person under the age of 17 years to take a photograph, film, or videotape of oneself to send to the adult for a lewd or lascivious purpose.

(Amends R.S. 14:81.4(A)(2); Adds R.S. 14:81.3(A)(5), 81.4(B)(5), and 283(A)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> <u>Justice to the original bill:</u> 1. Specify that video voyeurism occurs when <u>proposed law</u> is done for a lewd or lascivious purpose.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Specify that the two year age difference is the age difference between the person contacted and the offender.