

# HB0299 • Illinois

## EDUCATION-TECH

In Committee

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Effective: Jul 01, 2025 | Last Action (May 22, 2024): Referred to Assignments

## Summary

This bill amends the School Code to include the distribution of sexually explicit images as bullying and introduces definitions for digital replicas and AI, effective July 1, 2025.

## Business Impact

If you operate a school in Illinois, you must update your bullying policies to include new definitions by July 1, 2025, or face potential legal issues.

## Key Provisions

- Expands the definition of bullying to include the distribution of sexually explicit images.
- Defines 'cyber-bullying' to include digital replicas distributed electronically.
- Introduces definitions for 'digital replica', 'artificial intelligence', and 'generative artificial intelligence'.
- Effective date set for July 1, 2025.

## Compliance Checklist

- Update bullying policies to include new definitions. | Who: School administrators and policy makers. | Penalty: Potential legal challenges or compliance issues.

## Industries Affected

Education

Technology

## Topics

## Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Janet Yang Rohr	D	Sponsor
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Suzanne Ness	D	Sponsor

## Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2024-05-22	Third Reading in House	112	0	Passed

## Amendments

- House Amendment 001 — 2024-05-15 (Not Adopted)
- House Amendment 002 — 2024-05-15 (Not Adopted)
- House Amendment 003 — 2024-05-16 (Not Adopted)
- House Amendment 004 — 2024-05-21 (Not Adopted)

## Related Bills

- HB3851 (IL)
- HB5848 (IL)

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