

HB3851 • Illinois

SCH CD-CYBER-BULLYING

Unknown

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Effective: Jul 01, 2026 | Last Action (Aug 15, 2025): Public Act 104-0338

Summary

This bill expands the definition of cyber-bullying to include the posting of digital replicas and sexually explicit images, effective beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.

Business Impact

If you operate a school in Illinois, you must update your bullying policies to include digital replicas by July 1, 2026, or face potential penalties.

Key Provisions

- Expands the definition of bullying to include posting sexually explicit images.
- Defines 'cyber-bullying' to include the posting of digital replicas.
- Introduces definitions for 'artificial intelligence', 'digital replica', and 'generative artificial intelligence'.
- Effective beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.

Compliance Checklist

- Update bullying policies to include definitions of digital replicas and sexually explicit images. | Who: School administrators and policy makers | Penalty: Potential penalties for non-compliance may apply.

Industries Affected

Technology

Education

Topics

AI Deepfakes

AI Likeness

Related Bills

- [HB5848 \(IL\)](#)
- [HB0299 \(IL\)](#)

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