

SB 404 • Tennessee

Criminal Offenses - As introduced, expands the offense of unlawful exposure to include the distribution, with the intent to cause emotional distress, of an image of the intimate parts of another identifiable person or an image of an identifiable person engaged in sexually explicit conduct and the image was created or modified by means of a computer software program, artificial intelligence application, or other digital editing tools. - Amends TCA Title 39.

In Committee

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Last Action (Feb 12, 2025): Passed on Second Consideration, refer to Senate Judiciary Committee

Summary

This bill expands unlawful exposure to include distributing images modified by AI or digital tools to cause emotional distress.

Business Impact

If you use AI or digital tools to create or distribute images, you must ensure compliance with emotional distress laws or face legal consequences.

Key Provisions

- Expands unlawful exposure to include AI-modified images.
- Targets distribution with intent to cause emotional distress.
- Applies to images of identifiable persons in explicit conduct.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure compliance with laws regarding image distribution. | Who: Individuals and organizations using AI or digital tools for image creation. | Penalty: Potential civil liability or criminal charges.

Industries Affected

Media

Entertainment

Technology

Law Enforcement

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
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Official Source

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