SENATE BILL NO. 213–SENATORS STONE, KRASNER, STEINBECK, BUCK; AND ELLISON

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image. (BDR 15-776)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to crimes; expanding the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image to include certain acts relating to the distribution of certain photorealistic images, digital images, electronic images, computer images, computer-generated images and other pictorial representations; expanding the definition of "intimate image"; providing that the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image constitutes a sexual offense for the purposes of various statutes; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate mage and provides that a person who unlawfully disseminates an intimate image of a person is guilty of a category D felony. (NRS 200.780) Under existing law, a person is also guilty of a category D felony if the person makes certain demands from a person in exchange for removing an intimate image from public view. (NRS 200.785) **Section 1** of this bill expands the definition of "intimate image" for the purpose of these provisions to include certain photorealistic images, digital images, electronic images, computer images, computer-generated images and other pictorial representations. (NRS 200.770)

Under existing law, a person commits the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image when, with the intent to harass, harm or terrorize another person, the person electronically disseminates or sells an intimate image which depicts the other person and the other person: (1) did not give prior consent to the electronic dissemination or sale; (2) had a reasonable expectation that the intimate image would be kept private and would not be made visible to the public; and (3) was at least 18 years of age when the intimate image was created. (NRS 200.780)





Section 2 of this bill additionally provides that a person who is 18 years of age or older commits the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image when, with the intent to harass, harm or terrorize another person, the person distributes or causes to be distributed an intimate image if: (1) the image or representation is created in a way that would lead a reasonable person to believe it is an actual depiction of the person depicted; and (2) the other person did not give prior consent to the distribution of the image.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 Existing law defines the term "sexual offense" for the purpose of requiring persons convicted of certain sexual offenses to be prohibited from certain employment, to register as a sex offender, to comply with certain mandatory conditions of probation or parole and to fulfill certain other requirements. (NRS 118A.335, 176.0913, 176A.410, 179D.095, 179D.097, 179D.441, 213.1099, 213.1245) Section 3 of this bill revises the list of sexual offenses to which these statutory provisions apply to include unlawful dissemination of an intimate image 31 pursuant to section 2. Section 2 makes a conforming change by eliminating 32 33 provisions of existing law which provide that a person who commits the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image is not considered a sex offender and is 34 not subject to registration or community notification as a sex offender. 35 (NRS 200.780)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 200.770 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 200.770 "Intimate image":

3 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, includes,
4 without limitation [, a]:

5 (a) A photograph, film, videotape or other recorded image 6 which depicts:

7 [(a)] (1) The fully exposed nipple of the female breast of another 8 person, including through transparent clothing; or

9 [(b)] (2) One or more persons engaged in sexual conduct [.]; or

10 (b) A photorealistic image, digital image, electronic image, 11 computer image, computer-generated image or other pictorial 12 representation that appears to depict:

(1) An intimate body part of another identifiable person but
does not depict an actual body part of the person; or

15 (2) One or more identifiable persons engaged in sexual 16 conduct but does not actually depict the person or persons 17 engaging in the conduct.

18 2. Does not include an image which would otherwise constitute 19 an intimate image pursuant to subsection 1, but in which the person 20 depicted in the image:

21 (a) Is not clearly identifiable;

(b) Voluntarily exposed himself or herself in a public orcommercial setting; or

24 (c) Is a public figure.





NRS 200.780 is hereby amended to read as follows: 1 Sec. 2. 2 200.780 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a 1. 3 person commits the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image when, with the intent to harass, harm or terrorize another 4 5 person, the person [electronically]: 6 (a) *Electronically* disseminates or sells an intimate image which 7 depicts the other person and the other person: 8 (a) Did not give prior consent to the electronic 9 dissemination or the sale of the intimate image: (b) (2) Had a reasonable expectation that the intimate image 10 would be kept private and would not be made visible to the public; 11 12 and 13 (c) (3) Was at least 18 years of age when the intimate image 14 was created **[**,]; or (b) Distributes or causes to be distributed an intimate image 15 16 described in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 200.770 which 17 depicts the other person if: 18 (1) The intimate image is created in a way that would lead a 19 reasonable person to believe it is an actual depiction of the other 20 person; and (2) The other person did not give prior consent to the 21 22 distribution of the image. 23 A person who commits the crime of unlawful dissemination 2. 24 of an intimate image is guilty of a category D felony and shall be 25 punished as provided in NRS 193.130. 26 3. The provisions of this section do not apply to the 27 electronic]: 28 (a) The dissemination or distribution of an intimate image for 29 the purpose of: (1) A legitimate public interest; 30 31 (b) (2) Reporting unlawful conduct; 32 (c) (3) Any lawful law enforcement or correctional activity; 33 (d) (4) Investigation or prosecution of a violation of this 34 section; or 35 (e) (5) Preparation for or use in any legal proceeding [-36 4. A person who commits the crime of unlawful dissemination 37 of an intimate image is not considered a sex offender and is not 38 subject to registration or community notification as a sex offender pursuant to NRS 179D.010 to 179D.550, inclusive.]; or 39 40 (b) A person who is less than 18 years of age and who commits an act described in paragraph (b) of subsection 1. 41 42 **Sec. 3.** NRS 179D.097 is hereby amended to read as follows: 179D.097 1. "Sexual offense" means any of the following 43 44 offenses:





(a) Murder of the first degree committed in the perpetration or
attempted perpetration of sexual assault or of sexual abuse or sexual
molestation of a child less than 14 years of age pursuant to
paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 200.030.
(b) Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366.
(c) Statutory sexual seduction pursuant to NRS 200.368.

7 (d) Battery with intent to commit sexual assault pursuant to 8 subsection 4 of NRS 200.400.

9 (e) An offense involving the administration of a drug to another 10 person with the intent to enable or assist the commission of a felony 11 pursuant to NRS 200.405, if the felony is an offense listed in this 12 subsection.

13 (f) An offense involving the administration of a controlled 14 substance to another person with the intent to enable or assist the 15 commission of a crime of violence, if the crime of violence is an 16 offense listed in this section.

17 (g) Abuse of a child pursuant to NRS 200.508, if the abuse 18 involved sexual abuse or sexual exploitation.

(h) An offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant toNRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive.

(i) Fertility fraud pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 ofNRS 200.975.

(j) Incest pursuant to NRS 201.180.

24 (k) Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210.

25 (1) Indecent or obscene exposure pursuant to NRS 201.220.

26 (m) Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230.

27 (n) Sexual penetration of a dead human body pursuant to 28 NRS 201.450.

(o) Sexual conduct between certain employees of a school orvolunteers at a school and a pupil pursuant to NRS 201.540.

(p) Sexual conduct between certain employees of a college or
 university and a student pursuant to NRS 201.550.

(q) Luring a child or a person with mental illness pursuant to
 NRS 201.560, if punished as a felony.

35 (r) Sex trafficking pursuant to NRS 201.300.

(s) Unlawful dissemination of an intimate image pursuant to
 NRS 200.780.

38 (t) Any other offense that has an element involving a sexual act39 or sexual conduct with another.

40 [(t)] (*u*) An attempt or conspiracy to commit an offense listed in 41 paragraphs (a) to [(s),] (*t*), inclusive.

42 [(u)] (v) An offense that is determined to be sexually motivated 43 pursuant to NRS 175.547 or 207.193.

44 **[(v)]** (w) An offense committed in another jurisdiction that, if 45 committed in this State, would be an offense listed in this





subsection. This paragraph includes, without limitation, an offense
 prosecuted in:

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(1) A tribal court.

4 (2) A court of the United States or the Armed Forces of the 5 United States.

6 **[(w)]** (x) An offense of a sexual nature committed in another 7 jurisdiction, whether or not the offense would be an offense listed in 8 this section, if the person who committed the offense resides or has 9 resided or is or has been a student or worker in any jurisdiction in 10 which the person is or has been required by the laws of that 11 jurisdiction to register as a sex offender because of the offense. This 12 paragraph includes, without limitation, an offense prosecuted in:

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 $(\bar{1})$ A tribal court.

14 (2) A court of the United States or the Armed Forces of the 15 United States.

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(3) A court having jurisdiction over juveniles.

17 2. Except for the offenses described in paragraphs (o) and (p) 18 of subsection 1, the term does not include an offense involving 19 consensual sexual conduct if the victim was:

(a) An adult, unless the adult was under the custodial authorityof the offender at the time of the offense; or

(b) At least 13 years of age and the offender was not more than
4 years older than the victim at the time of the commission of the
offense.

25 **Sec. 4.** The amendatory provisions of section 3 of this act 26 apply to offenses committed before, on or after October 1, 2025.

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