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Senate Bill 466

By: Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Payne of the 54th, Still of the 48th, Echols of the 49th, Harbin of the 16th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to obscenity and related offenses, so as to provide for limitations of defense that a
- 3 sexually exploitive visual medium is digitally altered for the offense of sexual exploitation
- 4 of children; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 8 obscenity and related offenses, is amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section
- 9 16-12-100, relating to sexual exploitation of children, reporting violation, civil forfeiture, and
- 10 penalties, to read as follows:

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- 11 "(b.2) It shall not constitute a defense in a prosecution for a violation of this Code section
- that prior to or during the accused's creation, reproduction, publishing, promotion, selling,
- distributing, giving, exhibiting, possessing with the intent to sell or distribute, bringing or
- causing to be brought into this state, or possession or control of such visual medium that
- such visual medium was created, adapted, or modified to appear that an identifiable minor
- is engaging in sexually explicit conduct."

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SECTION 2. 17

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.