

## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1163

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE BARBIN

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 5 through 8, by striking out all of  
2 said lines and inserting

3 Section 1. Section 2709(b) and (c)(2) of Title 18 of the  
4 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amended November 27, 2013  
5 (P.L.1061, No.91), are amended, subsection (b.1) is amended by  
6 adding a paragraph and subsection (f) is amended by adding  
7 definitions to read:

8 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 through 14; page 2, lines 1  
9 through 13, by striking out "Cyber harassment of a child.--" in  
10 line 11, all of lines 12 through 14 on page 1 and all of lines 1  
11 through 13 on page 2 and inserting

12 Cyber harassment of a child.--A person commits the crime  
13 of cyber harassment of a child if, with intent to harass, he  
14 engages in a continuing course of conduct by repeatedly  
15 communicating the following by electronic means directly to a  
16 child or by publication through an electronic social media  
17 service:

18 (1) A statement or opinion about the child's sexuality  
19 or sexual activity.

20 (2) A seriously disparaging statement or opinion about  
21 the child's physical characteristics or mental or physical  
22 health or condition.

23 (3) A threat to inflict unlawful harm.

24 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 22 through 24, by striking out all  
25 of said lines and inserting

26 (2) An offense under subsection (a)(4), (5), (6) or (7)  
27 or (b) shall constitute a misdemeanor of the third degree.

28 Amend Bill, page 2, line 30; page 3, lines 1 through 9, by  
29 striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

30 "Emotional distress." A temporary or permanent state of  
31 mental anguish.

1 Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

2 "Seriously disparaging statement or opinion." A statement or  
3 opinion which is intended to and under the circumstances is  
4 reasonably likely to cause serious emotional distress to a child  
5 of the victim's age.