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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 21, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of
 3 invasion of privacy.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 7507.1(b) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended, subsection (e) is amended by
 8 adding a definition and the section is amended by adding a
 9 subsection to read:

10 § 7507.1. Invasion of privacy.

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12 (b) Grading.--Invasion of privacy is a misdemeanor of the
 13 second degree if there is more than one violation or if the
 14 victim is a minor. Otherwise, a violation of this section is a
 15 misdemeanor of the third degree.

16 (b.1) Mistake as to age.--It is no defense to prosecution

1 under this section that the defendant did not know the age of
2 the child. Neither a misrepresentation of age by the child nor a
3 bona fide belief that the person is over the specified age shall
4 be a defense.

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6 (e) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
7 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
8 subsection:

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10 "Minor." An individual under 18 years of age.

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12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.