

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2026

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB978

Chairperson: Senator Carolyn Bosn

Committee: Judiciary

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB978 would create a civil cause of action allowing individuals depicted in or exposed to obscene material, child sexual abuse material, or content promoting child sexual exploitation to seek damages against entities that intentionally distribute such content on publicly available Internet websites. The bill would authorize the Attorney General to bring civil actions to restrain violations and would provide that Internet utilities are not liable solely for providing access or connection services. Additionally, LB978 would prohibit the sale or distribution of child sexual exploitation devices or images and establish civil penalties of up to ten thousand dollars per violation, enforceable by the Attorney General or county attorneys.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tanya Storer