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## IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to the crime of facilitating a sex offense through electronic communication

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

- 1 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 130.93 to 2 read as follows:
- 3 S 130.93 FACILITATING A SEX OFFENSE THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION.

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- 1. A PERSON IS GUILTY OF FACILITATING A SEX OFFENSE THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION WHEN, HE OR SHE, THROUGH THE USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION, INTENTIONALLY ENGAGES IN CONDUCT THAT ENCOURAGES, SUGGESTS, OR AIDS ANOTHER PERSON IN THE COMMISSION OF A FELONY SEX OFFENSE.
- 8 2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE 9 FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
- 10 (A) "FELONY SEX OFFENSE" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS SET FORTH IN 11 PARAGRAPH (A) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION 70.80 OF THIS CHAPTER.
  - (B) "ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION" MEANS ANY TRANSFER OF SIGNS, SIGNALS, WRITINGS, IMAGES, SOUNDS, DATA, OR INTELLIGENCE OF ANY NATURE TRANSMITTED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A WIRE, RADIO, ELECTROMAGNETIC, PHOTO-ELECTRONIC, OR PHOTO-OPTICAL SYSTEM. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE TRANSFER OF THAT COMMUNICATION THROUGH THE INTERNET.
- 18 FACILITATING A SEX OFFENSE THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION IS A CLASS 19 D FELONY.
- 20 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-21 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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