

## Committee on Rules

### **CS/HB 245 — Child Pornography Terminology**

by Criminal Justice Subcommittee and Rep. Baker and others (CS/SB 398 by Criminal Justice Committee and Senator Leek)

The bill amends numerous Florida Statutes relating to child pornography terminology, replacing the term “child pornography” with “child sexual abuse material.”

Additionally, the bill includes legislative intent providing that the change in the term from “child pornography” to “child sexual abuse material” is not intended to change or amend the definition of the term or the elements of any offense relating to child pornography. Using the term “child sexual abuse material” represents the nature of the sexually abusive content, emphasizing that the child is a victim of such content.

Any prior judicial interpretations or findings from state or federal case law relating to child pornography must be applied in the same manner to any offense relating to child sexual abuse material.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect on July 1, 2026.

*Vote: Senate 37-1; House 110-0*