THE FLORIDA SENATE 2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/SB 1680 — Advanced Technology

by Rules Committee; Judiciary Committee; and Senator Bradley

The bill establishes the Government Technology Modernization Council, an advisory council within the Department of Management Services, to generally advise the Legislature on new technologies, artificial intelligence, and related issues. It also creates s. 827.072, F.S., entitled "Generated child pornography," which makes it a crime to knowingly possess, control, intentionally view, or create generated child pornography.

The general purpose of the advisory council is to study and monitor the development and deployment of new technologies and provide reports on recommendations for the procurement and regulation of such systems to the Governor and the Legislature. Accordingly, the bill requires council members to meet at least quarterly and to perform several duties, including the preparation and submittal of an annual report to the Governor and Legislature addressing the modernization of government technology. The bill also provides for the composition of the advisory council and regulates other aspects of service on the council.

The new criminal statute defines the terms "generated child pornography," "intentionally view," and "sexual conduct," and makes it a crime to knowingly possess, control, intentionally view, or create generated child pornography. Each instance of possession, control, or intentional viewing constitutes a separate offense. Anyone convicted of violating the statute is subject to up to 5 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine, as well as enhanced penalties under the habitual offender statute.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 114-0

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