

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to social media use by minors;
3 amending s. 501.1736, F.S.; requiring social media
4 platforms to disable certain encryption features for a
5 specified purpose; providing an effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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9 **Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2), paragraph (b)**
10 **of subsection (3), and paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of**
11 **section 501.1736, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:**

12 501.1736 Social media use for minors.—

13 (2)

14 (b) A social media platform shall:

15 1. Terminate any account held by an account holder younger
16 than 14 years of age, including accounts that the social media
17 platform treats or categorizes as belonging to an account holder
18 who is likely younger than 14 years of age for purposes of
19 targeting content or advertising, and provide 90 days for an
20 account holder to dispute such termination. Termination must be
21 effective upon the expiration of the 90 days if the account
22 holder fails to effectively dispute the termination.

23 2. Allow an account holder younger than 14 years of age to
24 request to terminate the account. Termination must be effective
25 within 5 business days after such request.

26 3. Allow the confirmed parent or guardian of an account
27 holder younger than 14 years of age to request that the minor's
28 account be terminated. Termination must be effective within 10
29 business days after such request.

30 4. Permanently delete all personal information held by the
31 social media platform relating to the terminated account, unless
32 there are legal requirements to maintain such information.

33 5. Disable end-to-end encryption or other data encryption
34 features that restrict the accessibility of messages so that a
35 minor's parent or legal guardian may view all messages and law
36 enforcement may view messages relevant to a felony criminal
37 investigation involving minors.

38 (3)

39 (b) A social media platform shall:

40 1. Terminate any account held by an account holder who is
41 14 or 15 years of age, including accounts that the social media
42 platform treats or categorizes as belonging to an account holder
43 who is likely 14 or 15 years of age for purposes of targeting
44 content or advertising, if the account holder's parent or
45 guardian has not provided consent for the minor to create or
46 maintain the account. The social media platform shall provide 90
47 days for an account holder to dispute such termination.
48 Termination must be effective upon the expiration of the 90 days
49 if the account holder fails to effectively dispute the
50 termination.

51 2. Allow an account holder who is 14 or 15 years of age to
52 request to terminate the account. Termination must be effective
53 within 5 business days after such request.

54 3. Allow the confirmed parent or guardian of an account
55 holder who is 14 or 15 years of age to request that the minor's
56 account be terminated. Termination must be effective within 10
57 business days after such request.

58 4. Permanently delete all personal information held by the
59 social media platform relating to the terminated account, unless
60 there are legal requirements to maintain such information.

61 5. Disable end-to-end encryption or other data encryption
62 features that restrict the accessibility of messages so that a
63 minor's parent or legal guardian may view all messages and law
64 enforcement may view messages relevant to a felony criminal
65 investigation involving minors.

66 (4) If a court enjoins the enforcement of subsection (3)
67 or would otherwise enjoin enforcement of any other provision of
68 this section due to subsection (3), then subsection (3) shall be
69 severed, and the following shall come into effect:

70 (b) A social media platform shall:

71 1. Terminate any account held by an account holder who is
72 14 or 15 years of age, including accounts that the social media
73 platform treats or categorizes as belonging to an account holder
74 who is likely 14 or 15 years of age for purposes of targeting
75 content or advertising, and provide 90 days for an account

76 holder to dispute such termination. Termination must be
77 effective upon the expiration of 90 days if the account holder
78 fails to effectively dispute the termination.

79 2. Allow an account holder who is 14 or 15 years of age to
80 request to terminate the account. Termination must be effective
81 within 5 business days after such request.

82 3. Allow the confirmed parent or guardian of an account
83 holder who is 14 or 15 years of age to request that the minor's
84 account be terminated. Termination must be effective within 10
85 business days after such request.

86 4. Permanently delete all personal information held by the
87 social media platform relating to the terminated account, unless
88 there are legal requirements to maintain such information.

89 5. Disable end-to-end encryption or other data encryption
90 features that restrict the accessibility of messages so that a
91 minor's parent or legal guardian may view all messages and law
92 enforcement may view messages relevant to a felony criminal
93 investigation involving minors.

94 **Section 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.