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CONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY OF A MINOR
2016 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Merrill F. Nelson
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill modifies the Utah Criminal Code regarding abuse of a minor.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
 modifies the definition of sexual abuse of a minor regarding the age differential
between the offender and the victim;
• modifies offender registration requirements regarding a first offense of sexual abuse
of a minor; and
 provides a cross reference regarding the current code provision that a misdemeanor
offense of unlawful sexual activity with a minor is not subject to the offender
registry.
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
None
Utah Code Sections Affected:
AMENDS:
76-5-401, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 1998, Chapter 82
76-5-401.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 135
77-41-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 210

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30	Section 1. Section 76-5-401 is amended to read:
31	76-5-401. Unlawful sexual activity with a minor Elements Penalties
32	Evidence of age raised by defendant.
33	(1) For purposes of this section "minor" is a person who is 14 years of age or older, but
34	younger than 16 years of age, at the time the sexual activity described in this section occurred.
35	(2) A person commits unlawful sexual activity with a minor if, under circumstances
36	not amounting to rape, in violation of Section 76-5-402, object rape, in violation of Section
37	76-5-402.2, forcible sodomy, in violation of Section 76-5-403, or aggravated sexual assault, in
38	violation of Section 76-5-405, the actor:
39	(a) has sexual intercourse with the minor;
40	(b) engages in any sexual act with the minor involving the genitals of one person and
41	the mouth or anus of another person, regardless of the sex of either participant; or
42	(c) causes the penetration, however slight, of the genital or anal opening of the minor
43	by any foreign object, substance, instrument, or device, including a part of the human body,
44	with the intent to cause substantial emotional or bodily pain to any person or with the intent to
45	arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person, regardless of the sex of any participant.
46	(3) [A] (a) Except under Subsection (3)(b), a violation of Subsection (2) is a third
47	degree felony [unless].
48	(b) If the defendant establishes by a preponderance of the evidence the mitigating
49	factor that the defendant is less than four years older than the minor at the time the sexual
50	activity occurred, [in which case it] the offense is a class B misdemeanor. An offense under
51	this Subsection (3)(b) is not subject to registration under Subsection 77-41-102(17)(a)(iii).
52	Section 2. Section 76-5-401.1 is amended to read:
53	76-5-401.1. Sexual abuse of a minor.
54	(1) For purposes of this section "minor" is a person who is 14 years of age or older, but
55	younger than 16 years of age, at the time the sexual activity described in this section occurred.
56	(2) A person commits sexual abuse of a minor if the person is [seven] four years or
57	more older than the minor or holds a relationship of special trust as an adult teacher, employee,

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58	or volunteer, as described in Subsection 76-5-404.1(1)(c)(xix) and, under circumstances not
59	amounting to rape, in violation of Section 76-5-402, object rape, in violation of Section
60	76-5-402.2, forcible sodomy, in violation of Section 76-5-403, aggravated sexual assault, in
61	violation of Section 76-5-405, unlawful sexual activity with a minor, in violation of Section
62	76-5-401, or an attempt to commit any of those offenses, the person touches the anus, buttocks
63	or any part of the genitals of the minor, or touches the breast of a female minor, or otherwise
64	takes indecent liberties with the minor, or causes a minor to take indecent liberties with the
65	actor or another person, with the intent to cause substantial emotional or bodily pain to any
66	person or with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person regardless of the
67	sex of any participant.
68	(3) (a) [A] Except under Subsection (3)(b), a violation of this section is a class A
69	misdemeanor[, except under Subsection (3)(b)] and is not subject to registration under
70	Subsection 77-41-102(17)(a)(iv) on a first offense if the offender was younger than 21 years of
71	age at the time of the offense.
72	(b) A violation of this section is a third degree felony if the actor at the time of the
73	commission of the offense:
74	(i) is 18 years of age or older;
75	(ii) held a position of special trust as a teacher or a volunteer at a school, as that
76	position is defined in Subsection 76-5-404.1(1)(c)(xix); and
77	(iii) committed the offense against an individual who at the time of the offense was
78	enrolled as a student at the school where the actor was employed or was acting as a volunteer.
79	Section 3. Section 77-41-102 is amended to read:
80	77-41-102. Definitions.
81	As used in this chapter:
82	(1) "Bureau" means the bureau of Criminal Identification of the Department of Public
83	Safety established in section 53-10-201.
84	(2) "Business day" means a day on which state offices are open for regular business.

(3) "Certificate of eligibility" means a document issued by the Bureau of Criminal

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86 Identification showing that the offender has met the requirements of Section 77-41-112. 87 (4) "Department" means the Department of Corrections. (5) "Division" means the Division of Juvenile Justice Services. 88 89 (6) "Employed" or "carries on a vocation" includes employment that is full time or part time, whether financially compensated, volunteered, or for the purpose of government or 90 91 educational benefit. (7) "Indian Country" means: 92 93 (a) all land within the limits of any Indian reservation under the jurisdiction of the 94 United States government, regardless of the issuance of any patent, and includes rights-of-way 95 running through the reservation; 96 (b) all dependent Indian communities within the borders of the United States whether within the original or subsequently acquired territory, and whether or not within the limits of a 97 98 state; and 99 (c) all Indian allotments, including the Indian allotments to which the Indian titles have 100 not been extinguished, including rights-of-way running through the allotments. 101 (8) "Jurisdiction" means any state, Indian Country, United States Territory, or any property under the jurisdiction of the United States military, Canada, the United Kingdom, 102 103 Australia, or New Zealand. 104 (9) "Kidnap offender" means any person other than a natural parent of the victim who: 105 (a) has been convicted in this state of a violation of: 106 (i) Subsection 76-5-301(1)(c) or (d), kidnapping:

- (ii) Section 76-5-301.1, child kidnapping: 107
- (iii) Section 76-5-302, aggravated kidnapping; 108
- 109 (iv) Section 76-5-310, aggravated human trafficking, on or after May 10, 2011; or
- 110 (v) attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any felony offense listed in Subsections (9)(a)(i) through (iv); 111
- 112 (b) has been convicted of any crime, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to 113 commit a crime in another jurisdiction, including any state, federal, or military court that is

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substantially equivalent to the offenses listed in Subsection (9)(a) and who is:

(i) a Utah resident; or

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- (ii) not a Utah resident, but who, in any 12 month period, is in this state for a total of
 117 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not the offender intends to permanently reside in this
 118 state;
 - (c) (i) is required to register as a kidnap offender in any other jurisdiction of original conviction, who is required to register as a kidnap offender by any state, federal, or military court, or who would be required to register as a kidnap offender if residing in the jurisdiction of the conviction regardless of the date of the conviction or any previous registration requirements; and
 - (ii) in any 12 month period, is in this state for a total of 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not the offender intends to permanently reside in this state;
 - (d) is a nonresident regularly employed or working in this state, or who is a student in this state, and was convicted of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (9), or any substantially equivalent offense in another jurisdiction, or as a result of the conviction, is required to register in the person's state of residence;
 - (e) is found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state or in any other jurisdiction of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (9); or
 - (f) is adjudicated delinquent based on one or more offenses listed in Subsection (9)(a) and who has been committed to the division for secure confinement for that offense and remains in the division's custody 30 days prior to the person's 21st birthday.
 - (10) "Natural parent" means a minor's biological or adoptive parent, and includes the minor's noncustodial parent.
 - (11) "Offender" means a kidnap offender as defined in Subsection (9) or a sex offender as defined in Subsection (17).
 - (12) "Online identifier" or "Internet identifier":
- 140 (a) means any electronic mail, chat, instant messenger, social networking, or similar 141 name used for Internet communication; and

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142 (b) does not include date of birth, Social Security number, PIN number, or Internet 143 passwords. 144 (13) "Primary residence" means the location where the offender regularly resides, even 145 if the offender intends to move to another location or return to another location at any future 146 date. (14) "Register" means to comply with the requirements of this chapter and 147 148 administrative rules of the department made under this chapter. 149 (15) "Registration website" means the Sex and Kidnap Offender Notification and 150 Registration website described in Section 77-41-110 and the information on the website. 151 (16) "Secondary residence" means any real property that the offender owns or has a financial interest in, or any location where, in any 12 month period, the offender stays 152 153 overnight a total of 10 or more nights when not staying at the offender's primary residence. 154 (17) "Sex offender" means any person: 155 (a) convicted in this state of: 156 (i) a felony or class A misdemeanor violation of Section 76-4-401, enticing a minor; 157 (ii) Section 76-5b-202, sexual exploitation of a vulnerable adult, on or after May 10, 2011; 158 (iii) a felony violation of Section 76-5-401, unlawful sexual activity with a minor; 159 160 (iv) Section 76-5-401.1, sexual abuse of a minor, except under Subsection 76-5-401.1(3)(a); 161 (v) Section 76-5-401.2, unlawful sexual conduct with a 16 or 17 year old; 162 163 (vi) Section 76-5-402, rape; 164 (vii) Section 76-5-402.1, rape of a child; 165 (viii) Section 76-5-402.2, object rape; 166 (ix) Section 76-5-402.3, object rape of a child; (x) a felony violation of Section 76-5-403, forcible sodomy; 167 (xi) Section 76-5-403.1, sodomy on a child; 168 169 (xii) Section 76-5-404, forcible sexual abuse:

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170	(xiii) Section 76-5-404.1, sexual abuse of a child or aggravated sexual abuse of a child;
171	(xiv) Section 76-5-405, aggravated sexual assault;
172	(xv) Section 76-5-412, custodial sexual relations, when the person in custody is
173	younger than 18 years of age, if the offense is committed on or after May 10, 2011;
174	(xvi) Section 76-5b-201, sexual exploitation of a minor;
175	(xvii) Section 76-7-102, incest;
176	(xviii) Section 76-9-702, lewdness, if the person has been convicted of the offense four
177	or more times;
178	(xix) Section 76-9-702.1, sexual battery, if the person has been convicted of the
179	offense four or more times;
180	(xx) any combination of convictions of Section 76-9-702, lewdness, and of Section
181	76-9-702.1, sexual battery, that total four or more convictions;
182	(xxi) Section 76-9-702.5, lewdness involving a child;
183	(xxii) a felony or class A misdemeanor violation of Section 76-9-702.7, voyeurism;
184	(xxiii) Section 76-10-1306, aggravated exploitation of prostitution; or
185	(xxiv) attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any felony offense listed in
186	Subsection (17)(a);
187	(b) who has been convicted of any crime, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to
188	commit a crime in another jurisdiction, including any state, federal, or military court that is
189	substantially equivalent to the offenses listed in Subsection (17)(a) and who is:
190	(i) a Utah resident; or
191	(ii) not a Utah resident, but who, in any 12 month period, is in this state for a total of
192	10 or more days, regardless of whether the offender intends to permanently reside in this state;
193	(c) (i) who is required to register as a sex offender in any other jurisdiction of original
194	conviction, who is required to register as a sex offender by any state, federal, or military court,
195	or who would be required to register as a sex offender if residing in the jurisdiction of the
196	original conviction regardless of the date of the conviction or any previous registration
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(ii) who, in any 12 month period, is in the state for a total of 10 or more days, regardless of whether or not the offender intends to permanently reside in this state;

- (d) who is a nonresident regularly employed or working in this state or who is a student in this state and was convicted of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (17)(a), or any substantially equivalent offense in any jurisdiction, or as a result of the conviction, is required to register in the person's jurisdiction of residence;
- (e) who is found not guilty by reason of insanity in this state, or in any other jurisdiction of one or more offenses listed in Subsection (17)(a); or
- (f) who is adjudicated delinquent based on one or more offenses listed in Subsection (17)(a) and who has been committed to the division for secure confinement for that offense and remains in the division's custody 30 days prior to the person's 21st birthday.
- (18) "Traffic offense" does not include a violation of Title 41, Chapter 6a, Part 5, Driving Under the Influence and Reckless Driving.
- (19) "Vehicle" means any motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft subject to registration in any jurisdiction.