

**Representative Candice B. Pierucci** proposes the following substitute bill:

**CRIME VICTIM IDENTIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Candice B. Pierucci**

Senate Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill enacts a provision relating to the identification of a minor victim of homicide.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ prohibits a law enforcement agency and law enforcement officer from disclosing to a media representative information on the identity of a minor victim of a criminal homicide without making a reasonable effort to obtain specified consent.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**53-22-101**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **53-22-101** is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 22. LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUIREMENTS**



26 53-22-101. Prohibition on disclosure of identity of minor homicide victim.

27 (1) As used in this section:

28 (a) "Criminal homicide" means the same as that term is defined in Section [76-5-201](#).

29 (b) "Minor victim" means the victim of a criminal homicide if the victim is younger  
30 than 18 years old.

31 (c) "Parent or legal guardian" does not include an individual who is a suspect or  
32 defendant with respect to the criminal homicide.

33 (2) A law enforcement agency and law enforcement officer may not disclose to a media  
34 representative the name or other personally identifying information of a minor victim until the  
35 law enforcement agency or law enforcement officer has made a reasonable effort to obtain the  
36 consent of the minor victim's parent or legal guardian for the disclosure.