GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 632 HOUSE BILL 207

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A FELONY OFFENSE TO SOLICIT A CHILD BY MEANS OF COMPUTER TO COMMIT AN UNLAWFUL SEX ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 26 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 14-202.3. Solicitation of a child by computer to commit an unlawful sex act.

- (a) Offense. A person is guilty of solicitation of a child by a computer if the person is 16 years of age or older and the person knowingly, with the intent to commit an unlawful sex act, entices, advises, coerces, orders, or commands, by means of a computer, a child who is less than 16 years of age and at least 3 years younger than the defendant, to meet with the defendant or any other person for the purpose of committing an unlawful sex act.
- (b) <u>Jurisdiction</u>. The offense is committed in the State for purposes of <u>determining jurisdiction</u>, if the transmission that constitutes the offense either originates in the State or is received in the State.
 - (c) Punishment. A violation of this section is a Class I felony."
- Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1996, and applies to acts committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of June, 1996.

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