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AN ACT

To amend chapter 566, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to sex crimes, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 566, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 566.151, to read as follows:

566.151. 1. A person commits the crime of luring a child for sexual purposes if the person:

- (1) Is twenty-one years of age or older;
- (2) Has the intent of engaging in an act of sexual conduct; and
- (3) Solicits a person who is, or whom the person believes to be, less than seventeen years of age, to perform an act of sexual conduct.
- 2. It is not an affirmative defense to a prosecution for a violation of this section that the other person was a peace officer masquerading as a minor.
- 3. As used in this section, "solicit" means to request, urge, command or authorize another to perform an act. Such solicitation may occur by any means, including but not limited to, in person, over the telephone, in writing or by computer.
- 4. Luring a child for sexual purposes is a class D felony, unless the person solicited is, or is believed by the actor to be, less than fourteen years of age, in which case the crime is a class C felony.