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## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill: Senate File 150

Committee: **Judiciary** Floor Manager: Rep. Fett Date: May 22, 2025

Staff: Amanda Wille (1-5230)

House Committee: PASSED on April 1 (21-0) House Floor: **PASSED** on April 23 (92-0) Senate Floor: PASSED on March 24 (49-0)

Governor: **SIGNED** on May 6, 2025

## **Sexual Exploitation of a Minor**

- SF 150 changes how a person can be charged for knowingly purchasing and possessing child pornography. Under current law, multiple images of one child are considered one charge. Under the bill, multiple images of the same child can result in multiple charges.
- Under SF 150, 10 images of the same child would be 10 charges.
- **Fiscal Note** May increase convictions but number cannot be determined.

## **Section by Section Analysis**

<u>Section 1 – Obscenity- Sexual Exploitation of a Minor (728.12)</u>

Under current law, if a person possesses multiple images of the same minor, it is one charge.

The bill changes that to specify that when a person knowingly purchases or possesses multiple visual depictions of a minor engaging in prohibited sexual acts, each depiction involving the same minor will be prosecuted as a separate offense.

## **Amendment Analysis**