
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 977
by Representative Beaulieu

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 4, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

3 "(17)(a) "Pre-loaded application" means an application that is present on a
4 mobile device at the time of purchase, initial activation, or first use of the device by
5 a consumer.

6 (b) Pre-loaded application does not include core operating system functions,
7 essential device drivers, basic-device operations, essential phone applications,
8 settings applications, emergency services applications, or security or system
9 maintenance applications essential to device functionality."

10 AMENDMENT NO. 2

11 On page 4, line 15, change "(17)" to "(18)"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 3

13 On page 4, line 22, change "(18)" to "(19)"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 4

15 On page 5, delete lines 18 through 21, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

16 "(b)(i) Obtain verifiable parental consent from the holder of the affiliated
17 parent account before allowing the minor to do any of the following:

18 (aa) Download an application.

19 (bb) Purchase an application.

20 (cc) Access an application that has been pre-loaded into a device.

21 (dd) Enable the functionality to make in-application purchases.

22 (ii) Relative to Subitem (i)(cc) of this Subparagraph, if the pre-loaded
23 application is developed by the covered application store provider, verifiable parental
24 consent is not necessary if the pre-loaded application implements default safety
25 protections for minors, where applicable."

26 AMENDMENT NO. 5

27 On page 6, line 29, after "by" and before "R.S." insert "R.S. 9:2800.29 or"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 6

29 On page 7, line 3, after "whom" and before "R.S." insert "R.S. 9:2800.29 or"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 7

31 On page 7, delete lines 20 through 23 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

32 "C.(1) A developer, other than one required to verify age pursuant to R.S.
33 9:2800.29 or R.S. 51:1751 through 1753, shall use the verified age signal from an
34 operating system or application store, pursuant to Paragraph (A)(6) of this Section,
35 to do all of the following:

36 (a) Enforce legally required minimum age restrictions.

- 1 (b) Ensure compliance with all laws and other obligations.
- 2 (c) In the provision of any age-appropriate defaults, safeguards, or
- 3 experiences, except as provided in this Section.
- 4 (2) If the developer determines that an internal age signal conflicts with the
- 5 age signal from a covered application store, the developer may rely on the signal
- 6 from the covered application store unless the developer has actual knowledge that
- 7 its internal signal is more accurate. If the developer has actual knowledge that its
- 8 internal signal is more accurate, such as if the user provided proof of age to the
- 9 developer, the developer shall use its internal signal or the lower of the two signals."

10 AMENDMENT NO. 8

11 On page 8, delete line 1 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

12 "(3) Sell age category data to any person."

13 AMENDMENT NO. 9

14 On page 9, line 11, after "by" and before "R.S." insert "R.S. 9:2800.29 or"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 10

16 On page 9, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

- 17 "(6) Require a covered application store provider or developer to obtain
- 18 parental consent for an application that meets all of the following conditions:
- 19 (a) Provides direct access to emergency services, including:
- 20 (i) 911.
- 21 (ii) Crisis hotlines.
- 22 (iii) Emergency assistance services legally available to minors.
- 23 (b) Limits data collection to information necessary to provide emergency
- 24 services in compliance with 15 U.S.C. 6501 et seq., Children's Online Privacy
- 25 Protection Act.
- 26 (c) Provides access without requiring account creation or collection of
- 27 unnecessary personal information.
- 28 (d) Is operated by or in partnership with any of the following:
- 29 (i) A government entity.
- 30 (ii) A nonprofit organization.
- 31 (iii) An authorized emergency service provider."

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.