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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGING AND YOUTH

Parental Consent for Social Media

An Act providing for a requirement for parental consent on social media.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section (1). Except as provided in Section 2, a social media company may not approve the creation of an account for a minor or allow a minor to open or operate an account without written consent of the minor’s parent or legal guardian.

Section (2). If a parent or legal guardian provides written consent to a minor to open a social media account, the social media company shall ensure a parent or legal guardian has the same access to the minor’s account as if they were the account holder.

Section (3). Definitions.

“Minor.” An individual who is less than 18 years of age.

“Social Media.” A public internet-based service or application that connects users in order to allow them to interact socially within the application.

Section (4). This shall take effect in 60 days.