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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1606

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to commerce; prohibiting access to nudification technology; proposing
1.3 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. 325E.91 PROHIBITION ON NUDIFICATION TECHNOLOGY.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have
1.7 the meanings given.

1.8 (b) "Intimate part" has the meaning given in section 604.32, subdivision 1, paragraph
1.9 (d).

1.10 (c) "Nudify" means the process by which:

1.11 (1) an image or video is altered to reveal an intimate part not depicted in the original
1.12 unaltered image or video; or

1.13 (2) the depiction is so realistic that a reasonable person would believe the depiction
1.14 reveals an intimate part of an identifiable individual.

1.15 Subd. 2. Nudification prohibited. A person who owns or controls a website, application,
1.16 software, or program must not allow a user to access, download, or use the website to nudify
1.17 an image or video.

1.18 Subd. 3. Civil action; damages. An individual injured by a violation of this section may
1.19 bring an action for:

1.20 (1) compensatory damages, including mental anguish or suffering, in an amount up to
1.21 three times the actual damages sustained;

2.1 (2) punitive damages;

2.2 (3) injunctive relief;

2.3 (4) reasonable attorney fees, costs, and disbursements; and

2.4 (5) other relief the court deems just and equitable.

2.5 Subd. 4. **Penalties.** The attorney general may enforce this section under section 8.31.

2.6 In addition to other remedies or penalties, a person that violates this section is subject to a
2.7 civil penalty of not less than \$500,000 for each unlawful access, download, or use under
2.8 subdivision 2.

2.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025, and applies to causes
2.10 of action accruing on or after that date.