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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Unlawful synthetic media-criminal.

Sponsored by: Select Committee on Blockchain, Financial
Technology and Digital Innovation Technology

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; creating the
2 offense of unlawful distribution of misleading synthetic
3 media; providing penalties; and providing for an effective
4 date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-6-106 is created to read:

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10 **6-6-106. Unlawful distribution of misleading**
11 **synthetic media; penalties.**

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1 (a) For purposes of this section "synthetic media"
2 means any video or voice recording that has been fully or
3 partially generated by algorithms and appears to be a
4 record of actual events.

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6 (b) A person is guilty of unlawful distribution of
7 misleading synthetic media if he knowingly and
8 intentionally distributes or makes publicly available
9 within the state of Wyoming synthetic media purported to be
10 of or by a natural person:

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12 (i) Without the consent of the natural person;

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14 (ii) Without constantly displaying an obvious
15 notice within the synthetic media identifying the media as
16 synthetic media; and

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18 (iii) With the intent to mislead others about the
19 acts of the natural person.

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21 (c) Unlawful distribution of synthetic media pursuant
22 to subsection (b) of this section is a misdemeanor
23 punishable by imprisonment for not more than six (6)

1 months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars
2 (\$750.00) or both.

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4 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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6 (END)