



# SENATE MOTION

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

**I move** that Senate Bill 199 be amended to read as follows:

1       Page 17, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
2       **"Chapter 0.5. Legislative Findings**

3       **Sec. 1. In enacting this article, the general assembly finds and**  
4       **declares that it is the policy of the state to recognize the unique and**  
5       **evolving risks to the health, safety, and well-being of children who**  
6       **have unrestricted access to social media. Suicide is the leading**  
7       **cause of death for children between fourteen (14) and fifteen (15)**  
8       **years of age and the second leading cause of death for other teens.**  
9       **Further, twenty percent (20%) of children between twelve (12) and**  
10       **seventeen (17) years of age suffer from depression. Many experts**  
11       **have identified a strong correlation between the use of social media**  
12       **and the increase in suicide and depression among children.**  
13       **Accordingly, the general assembly finds that it has a compelling**  
14       **governmental interest to appropriately regulate a child's access to**  
15       **social media while also recognizing the fundamental rights of free**  
16       **speech and of a parent to make decisions about the upbringing of**  
17       **the parent's child."**.

18       Page 18, line 7, delete "sixteen (16) years of age or younger" and  
19       insert **"less than eighteen (18) years of age"**.

20       Page 18, between lines 37 and 38, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
21       **"(c) The term does not include a device manufacturer or**  
22       **application store."**.

23       Page 20, delete lines 27 through 30.

24       Page 21, delete lines 16 through 20, begin a new paragraph and  
25       insert:

26       **"Sec. 3. (a) An owner or operator of a social media service that**  
27       **knowingly and intentionally violates section 1 or 2 of this chapter**

1       **commits a deceptive act.**

2       **(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), the attorney general**  
3       **may bring an action against a social media operator under**  
4       **IC 24-5-0.5 that is subject to the penalties and remedies available**  
5       **to the attorney general under IC 24-5-0.5 if the social media**  
6       **operator violates section 1 or 2 of this chapter.**

7       **(c) If the attorney general has not previously:**

8           **(1) brought an action against; or**  
9           **(2) sent a notice of violation to;**

10       **a social media operator under this section, the attorney general**  
11       **shall send a notice of violation. The notice sent under this**  
12       **subsection must describe the violation of section 1 or 2 of this**  
13       **chapter. The social media operator then has thirty (30) days from**  
14       **the date on the notice to cure the violation and provide**  
15       **documentation to prove that the violation has been remedied.**

16       **(d) If the social media operator does not remedy the violation**  
17       **described in the notice required under subsection (c), the attorney**  
18       **general may bring an action under IC 24-5-0.5 that is subject to the**  
19       **penalties and remedies available to the attorney general under**  
20       **IC 24-5-0.5."**

21       Page 22, line 7, delete "by a court" and insert "**to comply with this**  
22       **article;**".

23       Page 22, delete line 8.

24       Page 22, between lines 24 and 25, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
25       **"Sec. 6. The provisions of this article are severable in the**  
26       **manner provided by IC 1-1-1-8(b).".**

27       (Reference is to SB 199 as printed January 16, 2026.)

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28       Senator RAATZ