



S.F. No. 1119 – Prohibition on nudification technology (1st engrossment)

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S.F. 1119 prohibits a person who controls a website, application, software, program, or other service that creates, generates, or edits images or videos from allowing a user to access, use, or download the website, application, software, program, or other service to nudify an image or video.

The bill defines nudify as the process by which an image or video is altered to reveal an intimate part that is not depicted in the original unaltered image or video of an identifiable person and the depiction is so realistic that a reasonable person would believe the intimate part belongs to the identifiable individual.

This bill permits an individual depicted in an image or video that was nudified in violation of this section to bring a civil action for treble damages, including damages for mental anguish and suffering, punitive damages, injunctive relief, reasonable attorney fees, costs, and disbursements, and other relief the court deems equitable and just. The attorney general may enforce this section pursuant to section 8.31. A person who violates this section is subject to a civil penalty up to \$500,000 for each unlawful access, download, or use.

Any civil penalty recovered under this section must be deposited into the general fund. On July 1 of each year, the balance of the civil penalties collected in the previous year is appropriated to the commissioner of public safety for Office of Justice Programs grants to organizations that provide direct services and advocacy for victims of sexual assault, general crime, domestic violation, and child abuse. Up to ten percent of the appropriation is available for grant administration.

Effective date. This bill is effective August 1, 2025, and applies to causes of action accruing on or after that date.

