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**A B I L L**

To amend section 2907.09 of the Revised Code to 1  
expand and modify the penalty for the offense of 2  
public indecency. 3

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 2907.09 of the Revised Code be 4  
amended to read as follows: 5

**Sec. 2907.09.** (A) No person shall recklessly do any of the 6  
following, under circumstances in which ~~his or her~~ the person's 7  
conduct is likely to be viewed by and affront others, who are in 8  
the person's physical proximity and who are not members of ~~his or~~ 9  
~~her~~ the person's household: 10

(1) Expose his or her private parts, ~~or engage in~~ 11  
~~masturbation;~~ 12

(2) Engage in sexual conduct <u>or masturbation;</u>	13
(3) Engage in conduct that to an ordinary observer would appear to be sexual conduct or masturbation.	14 15
(B) <u>No person shall knowingly do any of the following, under circumstances in which the person's conduct is likely to be viewed by and affront another person who is a minor, who is not the spouse of the offender, and who resides in the person's household:</u>	16 17 18 19
(1) <u>Engage in masturbation;</u>	20
(2) <u>Engage in sexual conduct;</u>	21
(3) <u>Engage in conduct that to an ordinary observer would appear to be sexual conduct or masturbation;</u>	22 23
(4) <u>Expose the person's private parts with the purpose of personal sexual arousal or gratification or to lure the minor into sexual activity.</u>	24 25 26
(C)(1) <u>Whoever violates this section is guilty of public indecency and shall be punished as provided in divisions (C)(2), (3), (4), and (5) of this section. Except</u>	27 28 29
(2) <u>Except as otherwise provided in this division (C)(2) of this section, <del>public indecency</del> a violation of division (A)(1) of this section</u> is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one violation of this section, <del>public indecency</del> <u>a violation of division (A)(1) of this section</u> is a misdemeanor of the third degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to two violations of this section, <del>public indecency</del> <u>a violation of division (A)(1) of this section</u> is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to three or more violations of this section, <del>public indecency</del> <u>a violation of division (A)(1) of this section</u> is a misdemeanor of the first degree.	30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42

(3) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(3) of this section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the third degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one violation of this section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to two or more violations of this section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(4) of this section, a violation of division (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any violation of this section, a violation of division (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(5) A violation of division (B)(4) of this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree.

**Section 2.** That existing section 2907.09 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.