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Sub. S. B. No. 245

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# A BILL

То	amend section 2907.09 and to enact section 2907.41	1
	of the Revised Code to generally increase the	2
	penalties for public indecency when the victim is	3
	a minor and the offender has a previous public	4
	indecency conviction, to require that a person	5
	charged with a sexually oriented offense or with	6
	public indecency who has a previous conviction of	7
	a sexually oriented offense or of public indecency	8
	appear before the court before the court sets	9
	bail, and to generally require the court to	10
	consider certain factors before setting bail for	11
	that person.	12

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

Section 1.	That section	2907.09 be amend	led and section	13
2907.41 of the 1	Revised Code 1	e enacted to rea	d as follows:	14

Sec. 2907.09. (A) No person shall recklessly do any of the 15
following, under circumstances in which the person's conduct is 16
likely to be viewed by and affront others who are in the person's 17

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physical proximity and who are not members of the person's	18
household:	19
(1) Expose his or her the person's private parts;	20
(2) Engage in sexual conduct or masturbation;	21
(3) Engage in conduct that to an ordinary observer would	22
appear to be sexual conduct or masturbation.	23
(B) No person shall knowingly do any of the following, under	24
circumstances in which the person's conduct is likely to be viewed	25
by and affront another person who is a minor, who is not the	26
spouse of the offender, and who resides in the person's household:	27
(1) Engage in masturbation;	28
(2) Engage in sexual conduct;	29
(3) Engage in conduct that to an ordinary observer would	30
appear to be sexual conduct or masturbation;	31
(4) Expose the person's private parts with the purpose of	32
personal sexual arousal or gratification or to lure the minor into	33
sexual activity.	34
(C)(1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of public	35
indecency and shall be punished as provided in divisions $(C)(2)$ ,	36
(3), (4), and (5) of this section.	37
(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this	38
section, a violation of division (A)(1) of this section is a	39
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If the offender previously has	40
been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one violation of this	41
section, a violation of division (A)(1) of this section is a	42
misdemeanor of the third degree <u>or, if any person who was likely</u>	43
to view and be affronted by the offender's conduct was a minor, a	44
misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender previously has	45
been convicted of or pleaded guilty to two violations of this	46
section, a violation of division (A)(1) of this section is a	47

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misdemeanor of the second degree <u>or, if any person who was likely</u>	48
to view and be affronted by the offender's conduct was a minor, a	49
misdemeanor of the first degree. If the offender previously has	50
been convicted of or pleaded guilty to three or more violations of	51
this section, a violation of division (A)(1) of this section is a	52
misdemeanor of the first degree or, if any person who was likely	53
to view and be affronted by the offender's conduct was a minor, a	54
felony of the fifth degree.	55

(3) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(3) of this 56 section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) of this section is 57 a misdemeanor of the third degree. If the offender previously has 58 been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one violation of this 59 section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) of this section is 60 a misdemeanor of the second degree or, if any person who was 61 likely to view and be affronted by the offender's conduct was a 62 minor, a misdemeanor of the first degree. If the offender 63 previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to two or more 64 violations of this section, a violation of division (A)(2) or (3) 65 of this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree or, if any 66 person who was likely to view and be affronted by the offender's 67 conduct was a minor, a felony of the fifth degree. 68

(4) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(4) of this 69 section, a violation of division (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this 70 section is a misdemeanor of the second degree. If the offender 71 previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any one 72 violation of this section, a violation of division (B)(1), (2), or 73 (3) of this section is a misdemeanor of the first degree. If the 74 offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded quilty to two 75 or more violations of this section, a violation of division 76 (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is a felony of the fifth 77 <u>degree.</u> 78

(5) A Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(5) of this 79

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section, a violation of division $(B)(4)$ of this section is a	80
misdemeanor of the first degree. <u>If the offender previously has</u>	81
been convicted of or pleaded guilty to any violation of this	82
section, a violation of division $(B)(4)$ of this section is a	83
felony of the fifth degree.	84

Sec. 2907.41. (A) Subject to division (D) of this section, a 85 person who is charged with the commission of any sexually oriented 86 offense or with a violation of section 2907.09 of the Revised Code 87 shall appear before the court for the setting of bail if the 88 person charged previously was convicted of or pleaded quilty to a 89 sexually oriented offense, a violation of section 2907.09 of the 90 Revised Code, or a violation of an existing or former municipal 91 ordinance or law of this or any other state or the United States 92 that is substantially similar to section 2907.09 of the Revised 93 Code. 94

(B) To the extent that information about any of the following95is available to the court, the court, in addition to any other96circumstances considered by the court and notwithstanding any97provisions to the contrary contained in Criminal Rule 46, shall98consider all of the following before setting bail for a person who99appears before the court pursuant to division (A) of this section:100

(1) Whether the person previously has been adjudicated a 101 sexual predator or child-victim predator pursuant to Chapter 2950. 102 of the Revised Code, previously has been determined to be a 103 habitual sex offender or habitual child-victim offender pursuant 104 to that Chapter, has a history of committing sexually oriented 105 offenses or child-victim oriented offenses, or has a history of 106 committing violations of section 2907.09 of the Revised Code or 107 violations of an existing or former municipal ordinance or law of 108 this or any other state or the United States that is substantially 109 similar to that section; 110

(2) The mental health of the person;	111
(3) Whether the person has a history of violating the orders	112
of any court or governmental entity;	113
(4) Whether the person is potentially a threat to any other	114
person;	115
(5) Whether the person has access to deadly weapons or a	116
history of using deadly weapons;	117
(6) Whether the person has a history of abusing alcohol or	118
any controlled substance;	119
(7) The severity of the alleged conduct of the person that is	120
the basis of the offense, including but not limited to, the	121
duration of the alleged conduct, and whether the alleged conduct	122
involved physical injury, assault, violence, or forcible entry to	123
gain access to an alleged victim;	124
(8) Whether the person has exhibited obsessive or controlling	125
behaviors toward another person, including, but not limited to,	126
stalking, surveillance, or isolation of another person;	127
(9) Whether the person has expressed suicidal or homicidal	128
ideations;	129
(10) Any information contained in the complaint and any	130
police reports, affidavits, or other documents accompanying the	131
complaint.	132
(C) Any court that has jurisdiction over charges alleging the	133
commission of a sexually oriented offense or a violation of	134
section 2907.09 of the Revised Code, in circumstances in which the	135
person charged previously was convicted of or pleaded guilty to	136
any of the offenses or violations described in division (A) of	137
this section, may set a schedule for bail to be used in cases	138
involving those offenses and violations. The schedule shall	139
require that a judge consider all of the factors listed in	140

division (B) of this section and may require judges to set bail at	1
a certain level if the history of the alleged offender or the	1
circumstances of the alleged offense meet certain criteria in the	1
schedule.	1
(D)(1) Upon the court's own motion or the motion of a party	1
and upon any terms that the court may direct, a court may permit a	1
person who is required to appear before it by division (A) of this	1
section to appear by video conferencing equipment.	1
(2) If, in the opinion of the court, the appearance in person	1
or by video conferencing equipment of a person who is charged with	1
a misdemeanor and who is required to appear before the court by	1
division (A) of this section is not practicable, the court may	1
waive the appearance and release the person on bail in accordance	1
with the court's schedule for bail set under division (C) of this	1
section or, if the court has not set a schedule for bail under	1
that division, on one or both of the following types of bail in an	1
amount set by the court:	1
(a) A bail bond secured by a deposit of ten per cent of the	1
amount of the bond in cash;	1
(b) A surety bond, a bond secured by real estate or	1
securities as allowed by law, or the deposit of cash, at the	1
option of the person.	1
(3) Division (A) of this section does not create a right in a	1
person to appear before the court for the setting of bail or	1
prohibit a court from requiring any person charged with a sexually	1
oriented offense or a violation of section 2907.09 of the Revised	1
Code who is not described in that division from appearing before	1
the court for the setting of bail.	1
(E) As used in this section, "child-victim oriented offense,"	1
<u>"child-victim predator," "habitual child-victim offender,"</u>	1

"habitual sex offender," "sexually oriented offense," and "sexual 171

predator" have the same meanings as in section 2950.01 of the	172
Revised Code.	173
Section 2. That existing section 2907.09 of the Revised Code	174
is hereby repealed.	175