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A BILL

To enact section 2945.60 of the Revised Code to

require that in a criminal proceeding any obscene

material involving a minor remain in the custody	3
and control of the prosecuting attorney or court.	4
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:	
Section 1. That section 2945.60 of the Revised Code be	5
enacted to read as follows:	6
Sec. 2945.60. (A) As used in this section, "obscene,"	7
"material," and "minor" have the same meanings as in section	8
2907.01 of the Revised Code.	9
(B) In a criminal proceeding, any obscene material that has a	10
minor as one of its participants or portrayed observers shall	11
remain in the care, custody, and control of either the prosecuting	12
attorney or the court.	13
(C)(1) In a criminal proceeding, the court shall deny a	14
request by the defendant to copy, photograph, duplicate, or	15
otherwise reproduce any obscene material that has a minor as one	16
of its participants or portrayed observers if the prosecuting	17
attorney or court makes the material reasonably available to the	18

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defendant for discovery and inspection.	19
(2) Material is reasonably available to the defendant for	20
discovery and inspection if the prosecuting attorney or court	21
provides ample opportunity for the defendant, the defendant's	22
attorney, and any individual the defendant may seek to qualify as	23
an expert witness at trial to inspect, view, and examine the	24
material at the prosecuting attorney's office or another location	25
under the control of a public official.	26