

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to 911 calls; prohibiting the publication  
 3           or broadcast of recordings of calls to 911 emergency  
 4           services made by minors; prohibiting the publication or  
 5           broadcast of recordings of such calls made by adults  
 6           unless the voices of all persons recorded are obscured or  
 7           masked so as to render the persons recorded  
 8           unidentifiable; providing construction; providing criminal  
 9           penalties; providing an effective date.

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 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 13           Section 1. Publishing or broadcasting certain recordings  
 14 of 911 calls.—

15           (1) A person may not publish or broadcast, or cause or  
 16 allow to be published or broadcast, through any means of mass  
 17 communication, including, but not limited to, radio, television,  
 18 and the Internet, a recording of a call to a telephone emergency  
 19 service such as "911":

20           (a) Made by a minor.

21           (b) Made by an adult unless the voices of all persons  
 22 recorded are obscured or masked so as to render the persons  
 23 recorded unidentifiable.

24           (2) This section may not be construed to abridge the  
 25 rights of any person that are protected by the First Amendment  
 26 to the Constitution of the United States or s. 4, Art. I of the  
 27 State Constitution.

28           (3) Any person who violates this section commits a

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29 | misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s.  
30 | 775.082 or s. 775.083, Florida Statutes.

31 | Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2011.