

By Senator Harrell

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to husband-wife communications
3 privilege; amending s. 90.504, F.S.; providing that
4 the privilege for husband-wife communications does not
5 apply in certain civil or criminal proceedings
6 involving child victims, to the extent that the
7 communications concern certain conduct; providing an
8 effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (3) of
13 section 90.504, Florida Statutes, to read:

14 90.504 Husband-wife privilege.—

15 (3) There is no privilege under this section:

16 (d) In a civil or criminal proceeding when the
17 communication between spouses concerns committing or attempting
18 to commit any act of sexual abuse of any minor child, physical
19 abuse of any minor child, or neglect of any minor child.

20 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.