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Subject	Digital picture and recording misrepresentation
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Overview

Changes in technology have made it possible to manipulate audio and video to create new video and audio that appears genuine. These techniques, commonly called deepfakes, are used in television and movies, but have also been used to make it appear that celebrities and politicians have said or done things that they have not said or done. This bill would make it a gross misdemeanor to intentionally alter a digital picture or recording of another person without the person's permission.

Summary

Section	Description
1	**Digital picture and recording misrepresentation.** Creates a gross misdemeanor offense for someone who intentionally alters a digital picture or recording of another person, or owned by another person, (1) without the subject's consent, (2) in a manner that makes it appear that the subject gave consent, and (3) with a malicious intent.