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## **Oregon House Unanimously Passes Bipartisan Bill to Criminalize AI-Generated Deepfake Pornography**

**SALEM, Ore.**— Today, the Oregon House of Representatives unanimously passed [HB 2299A](#), a bipartisan measure to expand Oregon’s criminal statutes to prohibit digitally created or manipulated intimate images, otherwise known as deepfakes.

In recent years, the prevalence of AI-generated intimate images has skyrocketed. Studies estimate a [464% increase](#) in AI-generated intimate photos and videos from 2022 to 2023 alone and find that over [20,000 AI-generated images](#) of children were posted to an online forum within one month.

“Victims of deepfake pornography are often told there’s nothing they can do,” said **Rep. Hartman**, a chief sponsor of the bill. “Today, with the passage of this bill, we are changing that. We are standing with victims and saying: we see you, we believe you, and we will not let this abuse go unchecked.”

HB 2299A updates Oregon’s unlawful dissemination of intimate images statute by explicitly including “a digitally created, manipulated or altered depiction that is reasonably realistic.” This ensures that victims of AI-generated deepfakes have the same legal protections as those harmed by traditional revenge porn.

“I am very pleased that the House passed this important bill to protect Oregonians—especially women and youth—from being cruelly victimized by the sharing of false, AI-generated intimate images,” said **Rep. Mannix**, a chief sponsor of the bill. “It’s my hope that the passage of this bill will prevent more victims from experiencing significant emotional consequences and trauma, as well as damage to their reputations and careers.”

This bipartisan bill joins 31 other states in taking action to address this emerging threat. It has the backing of victim advocacy groups, law enforcement, and digital privacy experts, who recognize the need for urgent legal protections against AI-driven abuse.

“A parent in my district contacted me after their child was harassed by classmates using fake intimate images,” said **Rep. Susan McLain**, a chief sponsor of the bill. “They were told there was no path to justice under Oregon law. That was unacceptable, so we took action. As a former teacher, I know this bill is critical to protect student safety and prevent future harm.”

HB 2299A now moves to the Senate for consideration.

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