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1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §61-2-13 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to the crime of extortion; providing that extorting anything of value, including sexual
3 contact, sexual intercourse, or an image of an intimate body part qualifies as extortion and
4 subjects a person to a criminal penalty; defining terms; and establishing criminal penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON.

§61-2-13. Extortion or attempted extortion by threats; penalties.

1 (a) A person who threatens injury to the character, person, or property of another person,
2 or to the character, person, or property of his or her spouse or child, or accuses him or her or
3 them of a criminal offense, and thereby obtains anything of value, or other consideration, he or
4 she is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be confined in a correctional facility not less
5 than one nor more than five years. A person who makes such threat of injury or accusation of an
6 offense as set forth in this section, but fails to obtain anything of value or other consideration, is
7 guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be confined in jail not less than two nor more
8 than 12 months and fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$500.

9 (b) For purposes of this article, "consideration" includes sexual acts as defined in §61-8B-
10 1 of this code, and images of intimate parts defined in §61-8-28a of this code.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.


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Chairman, Senate Committee


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Chairman, House Committee

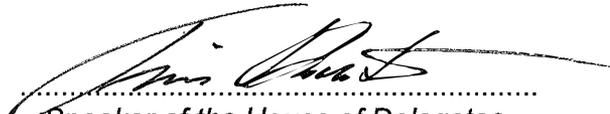
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Clerk of the Senate


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President of the Senate


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Speaker of the House of Delegates

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The within is approved this the 20th
Day of March 2018.


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Governor

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Time 2:00 pm