**§259-A. Solicitation of a child to commit a prohibited act**

**1.**  A person is guilty of soliciting a child to commit a prohibited act if:

A. The actor, with the intent to engage in a prohibited act with the other person, knowingly solicits directly or indirectly that person by any means to engage in a prohibited act and the actor:

(1) Is at least 16 years of age;

(2) Knows or believes that the other person is less than 14 years of age; and

(3) Is at least 3 years older than the age expressed by the other person.

Violation of this paragraph is a Class D crime; or [PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

B. The actor, with the intent to engage in a prohibited act with the other person, knowingly solicits directly or indirectly that person by any means to engage in a prohibited act and the actor:

(1) Is at least 16 years of age;

(2) Knows or believes that the other person is less than 12 years of age; and

(3) Is at least 3 years older than the age expressed by the other person.

Violation of this paragraph is a Class C crime. [PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

[PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

**2.**  For purposes of this section, "prohibited act" means:

A. A sexual act; [PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

B. Sexual contact; or [PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

C. Sexual exploitation of a minor pursuant to section 282. [PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

[PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).]

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PL 2011, c. 597, §3 (NEW).

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