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Thank you for including me to have a look on the proposed bill.

My few comments about the Bill 27 given my experience and observation dealing with young adults who have experienced Cyber Bullying:

1. Definition of Cyber Bullying--needs further inclusion of exchanging offensive emails in group setting, using different/foreign language to take advantage in different cultural background, religious bias to impose bully, using online resources to take advantage of intellectually disabled people
2. I am not sure where the situation falls where I have heard that kids at school using friends/victim's own cell phone to use offensive texts/photo shop/ social media and later accusing them as the bully/perpetrator.
3. The Intimate Images Cyber-protection act--would be helpful to include potential risk even though the act is minimal as in my clinical experience it causes significant amount of psychological damage into individual's ability to be assertive and resilient. ( insecure with low self esteem, fearful in conflict resolution and risk of self harm and escaping into substance misuse/eating disorder)
4. Time line--in my opinion, it would be helpful for children and teen age kids to know that any one can step forward with any bullying event at any time regardless of how many time/years has passed. As we will be seeing more and more cyber related psychological insults and we are still unaware of its long term consequences ( relationships, employment, security and criminal record check).
5. I would like to see some mandatory educational session on cyber safety and communication skills and, or, counselling services for both victims and alleged individuals. Its very important for all of us to caution and punish the inappropriate act but not the person. Often time they are in the same class/year/ peer groups and both of them need to feel safe and protected.

Thank you!

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