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Enacted State Legislation Related to “Revenge Porn”*

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'Revenge porn' is the dissemination of sexually explicit photographs or videos of individuals online without their consent, even if the photograph or video itself was taken with consent. Websites created specifically for this type of pornography sometimes include a victim's name, address and links to social media profiles with the images, and some websites charge a fee to have the materials removed.

In 2014, bills addressing revenge porn were introduced or are pending in at least 27 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Since 2013, 13 states have enacted revenge porn laws, as follows.*

State “Revenge Porn” Legislation Enacted Since 2013*

State	Year Passed/Bill No./Session Law	
Arizona	2014	H.B. 2515, Chap. 268
California	2013	S.B. 255, Chap. 466
Colorado	2014	H.B. 1378, Chap. 283
Delaware	2014	H.B. 260, Chap. 415
Georgia	2014	H.B. 838, Act 519
Hawaii	2014	H.B. 1750, Act 116
Idaho	2014	H.B. 563, Chap. 173
Maryland	2014	H.B. 43, Chap. 583
New York*	2014	S.B. 1982, Chap. 193
Pennsylvania	2014	H.B. 2107, Act 115
Utah	2014	H.B. 71, Chap. 124
Virginia	2014	H.B. 326, Chap. 399
Wisconsin	2014	S.B. 367, Act 243

See www.ncsl.org/default.aspx?tabid=27823 for details and updates on introduced and enacted legislation.

*New York's S.B. 1982 applies only to intimate images taken *without* consent. In addition, three states' laws enacted prior to 2013 could apply to revenge porn (*see*: Citron, Danielle Keats and Franks, Mary Anne, Criminalizing Revenge Porn (May 19, 2014). Wake Forest Law Review, Vol. 49, 2014, p. 345+; U of Maryland Legal Studies Research Paper No. 2014-1. Available at SSRN <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2368946>).

- Alaska Stat. §11.61.120. Harassment in the second degree.
- New Jersey Code §2C:14-9(c) Invasion of privacy, degree of crime; defenses, privileges
- Texas Penal Code § 21.15. Improper photography or visual recording