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PROHIBIT SALE OF CERTAIN VIDEOS TO KIDS UNDER 17

House Bill 4267

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Committee: Commerce

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4267 AS INTRODUCED 2-25-03

The bill would amend the Michigan Penal Code to prohibit the sale or rental of a restricted video game to an individual under 17 years of age. A violation would be a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to 90 days and a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both.

A "restricted video game" would be a video game rated "AO" [adults only] or "M" [mature] by the Entertainment Software Rating Board.

(The Entertainment Software Rating Board describes itself as a "self-regulatory body established . . . by the Interactive Digital Software Association [that] independently applies and enforces rating, advertising guidelines, and online privacy principles adopted by the industry".)

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