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Chapter No.: 22

Prime Sponsor: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

Catch Title: Computer extortion.

Subject: Creates the criminal offense of computer extortion.

Summary/Major Elements:

- This act creates the criminal offense of computer extortion. A person commits the criminal offense of computer extortion if he knowingly and without authorization introduces, attempts to introduce or directs or induces another to introduce, any ransomware into a computer, computer system or computer network which requires the payment of money or other consideration to remove the ransomware or repair damage caused by the ransomware.
- Computer extortion is a felony punishable by ten years in prison, a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both.
- The act also authorizes the Division of Criminal Investigation to investigate suspected violations of computer extortion, as well as suspected violations of computer trespass, a computer crime created by 2014 Wyoming Session Laws Chapter 73.

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