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Attorney General James Uthmeier Fights to Protect Children from Online Pornography; Brings Lawsuit Against Foreign and Domestic Porn Distributors

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General James Uthmeier is taking legal action against multiple online pornography websites acting in violation of Florida law by not requiring age verification before accessing adult content. Last year, Florida enacted HB 3, requiring commercial entities that distribute sexually explicit material online that is harmful to minors to verify that individuals attempting to access the material are at least 18 years of age. Attorney General Uthmeier today filed legal suit against Webgroup Czech Republic, NKL Associates, Sonesta Technologies, Inc., GGW Group, and Traffic F for breaking state law and endangering minors.

“Multiple porn companies are flagrantly breaking Florida’s age verification law by exposing children to harmful, explicit content. As a father of young children, and as Attorney General, this is completely unacceptable,” said **Attorney General James Uthmeier**. “We are taking legal action against these online pornographers who are willfully preying on the innocence of children for their financial gain.”

WebGroup Czech Republic, a.s. d/b/a XVideos.com, NKL Associates, s.r.o. d/b/a XNXX.com, Sonesta Technologies, s.r.o. d/b/a BangBros.com, Sonesta Media, s.r.o. d/b/a BangBros.com, Sonesta Technologies, Inc. d/b/a BangBros.com, GGW Group, s.r.o d/b/a GirlsGoneWild.com, GTFlix TV, s.r.o d/b/a GirlsGoneWild.com, GGW Group, LLC d/b/a GirlsGoneWild.com, and pornographic advertiser Traffic F, s.r.o. d/b/a TrafficFactory.com publishes sexually explicit material online that is harmful to minors. XVideos.com and XNXX.com are free to access and receive hundreds of millions of visits monthly worldwide and several million in Florida alone.

Despite knowing that the websites must comply with age-verification laws, the companies have openly defied HB 3 since it took effect January 1, 2025. In April, Attorney General Uthmeier wrote letters to two of the companies demanding they comply with state law or face legal action, but the companies made no changes.

On behalf of all minor residents in Florida, Attorney General Uthmeier’s lawsuit seeks to compel the companies to comply with their obligations under HB 3 as well as the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, which prohibits the unfair and deceptive business practices that the companies have used to build a vast and lucrative Florida user base that includes vulnerable children and teens.

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