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1		AN ACT relating to child pornography.
2	Be it	t enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→ SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 531 IS CREATED TO
4	REA	AD AS FOLLOWS:
5	<u>(1)</u>	In a criminal or civil proceeding, any property or material that portrays child
6		pornography or a sexual performance by a minor as defined in this chapter shall
7		remain secured or locked in the care, custody, and control of a law enforcement
8		agency, or the prosecutor. Any property or material that portrays child
9		pornography or a sexual performance by a minor shall not be filed with or stored
10		by the court unless introduced as an exhibit for trial. Storage of trial court
11		exhibits portraying child pornography or a sexual performance by a minor shall
12		be in accordance with a court order.
13	<u>(2)</u>	Notwithstanding any other law or rule of court, a court shall deny, in any
14		proceeding, any request by the defendant to copy, photograph, duplicate, or
15		otherwise reproduce any property or material that portrays a sexual performance
16		by a minor or constitutes child pornography so long as law enforcement, the
17		prosecutor, or the court, if the matter was introduced as an exhibit at trial, makes
18		the property or material reasonably available to the defendant.
19	<u>(3)</u>	For the purposes of this section, property or material shall be deemed reasonably
20		available to the defendant if the prosecutor provides ample opportunity at a
21		designated facility for the inspection, viewing, and examination of the property or
22		material that portrays a sexual performance by a child or constitutes child
23		pornography by the defendant, his or her attorney, or any individual whom the
24		defendant uses as an expert during either the discovery process or a court
25		proceeding.