

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

SENATE BILL 838

By: Thompson

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to social media; defining terms; prohibiting certain accounts; requiring certain age verification; requiring certain account termination; providing time frame for certain implementation; providing certain exceptions; authorizing Attorney General to bring civil action and seek certain relief; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 203 of Title 75A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section:

1. "Social media platform" means a website or internet medium that:

- a. permits a person to become a registered user, establish an account, or create a profile for the purpose of allowing users to create, share, and view user-generated content through such an account or profile,

- 1           b. enables one or more users to generate content that can  
2           be viewed by other users of the medium, and  
3           c. primarily serves as a medium for users to interact  
4           with content generated by other users of the medium;  
5           and

6           2. "User" means a person who accesses or uses a social media  
7 platform.

8           B. 1. A social media platform shall not permit an individual  
9 under sixteen (16) years of age to create or maintain an account or  
10 profile on such platform.

11           2. A social media platform shall perform reasonable age  
12 verification methods to verify the age of each user pursuant to the  
13 provisions of this section.

14           3. Any account and data of a user determined to be under  
15 sixteen (16) years of age that is created before the effective date  
16 of this act shall be deleted and removed from the platform.

17 Social media platforms shall have six (6) months after the effective  
18 date of this act to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

19           C. The provisions of this section shall not apply to a text  
20 messaging platform or a platform for which the primary purpose is  
21 related to education or health care.

22           D. The Attorney General is authorized to bring a civil action  
23 against a social media platform for a violation of the provisions of  
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1 this section and to seek injunctive relief or other appropriate  
2 relief as determined by the court.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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