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HOUSE BILL 320

**57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIME; MAKING NECROPHILIA A CRIME; MAKING  
DESECRATION OF A DEAD HUMAN BODY A CRIME; PRESCRIBING  
PENALTIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Criminal Code is enacted  
to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] NECROPHILIA--CRIMINAL DESECRATION OF A  
DEAD HUMAN BODY.--

A. The crime of necrophilia consists of a person:

(1) using a dead human body for sexual  
purposes, including vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse,  
cunnilingus or fellatio or the causing of penetration, to any  
extent and with any object, of the genital or anal openings of  
a dead human body, whether or not there is any emission; or

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1 (2) touching the clothed or unclothed intimate  
2 parts of a dead human body for sexual purposes or intentionally  
3 causing a dead human body to touch the intimate parts of a  
4 person.

5 B. A person who commits necrophilia as provided in  
6 Paragraph (1) of Subsection A of this section is guilty of a  
7 second degree felony.

8 C. A person who commits necrophilia as provided in  
9 Paragraph (2) of Subsection A of this section is guilty of a  
10 third degree felony.

11 D. Criminal desecration of a dead human body  
12 consists of the unlawful dismemberment, disfigurement,  
13 mutilation or burning of a dead human body or any unlawful act  
14 that causes a dead human body to be devoured or scattered. A  
15 person who commits criminal desecration of a dead human body is  
16 guilty of a fourth degree felony."