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# H. R. 939

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2003

Mr. PENCE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Truth in Domain  
5 Names Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MISLEADING DOMAIN NAMES ON THE INTERNET.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 110 of title 18, United  
8 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2252A  
9 the following:

1 **“§ 2252B. Misleading domain names on the Internet**

2 “Whoever knowingly uses a misleading domain name  
3 with the intent to attract a minor into viewing a visual  
4 depiction of sexually explicit conduct on the Internet shall  
5 be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 2  
6 years, or both. For the purposes of this section, a domain  
7 name that includes the word ‘sex’ is not misleading.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
9 at the beginning of chapter 110 of title 18, United States  
10 Code, is amended by inserting after the time relating to  
11 section 2252A the following new item:

“2252B. False or misleading domain names on the Internet.”.

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