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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL ASSAULT BY A COACH OR INSTRUCTOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 53a-71 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

3 (a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the second degree when
4 such person engages in sexual intercourse with another person and: (1)
5 Such other person is thirteen years of age or older but under sixteen
6 years of age and the actor is more than two years older than such
7 person; or (2) such other person is mentally defective to the extent that
8 such other person is unable to consent to such sexual intercourse; or (3)
9 such other person is physically helpless; or (4) such other person is less
10 than eighteen years old and the actor is such person's guardian or
11 otherwise responsible for the general supervision of such person's
12 welfare; or (5) such other person is in custody of law or detained in a
13 hospital or other institution and the actor has supervisory or
14 disciplinary authority over such other person; or (6) the actor is a
15 psychotherapist and such other person is (A) a patient of the actor and
16 the sexual intercourse occurs during the psychotherapy session, (B) a

17 patient or former patient of the actor and such patient or former
18 patient is emotionally dependent upon the actor, or (C) a patient or
19 former patient of the actor and the sexual intercourse occurs by means
20 of therapeutic deception; or (7) the actor accomplishes the sexual
21 intercourse by means of false representation that the sexual intercourse
22 is for a bona fide medical purpose by a health care professional; or (8)
23 the actor is a school employee and such other person is a student
24 enrolled in a school in which the actor works or a school under the
25 jurisdiction of the local or regional board of education which employs
26 the actor; or (9) the actor is a coach in an athletic activity or a person
27 who provides intensive, ongoing instruction and such other person is a
28 recipient of coaching or instruction from the actor and is under
29 nineteen years of age.

30 (b) Sexual assault in the second degree is a class C felony for which
31 nine months of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or
32 reduced by the court.

33 Sec. 2. Section 53a-73a of the general statutes is repealed and the
34 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

35 (a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the fourth degree when: (1)
36 Such person intentionally subjects another person to sexual contact
37 who is (A) under fifteen years of age, or (B) mentally defective or
38 mentally incapacitated to the extent that [he] such other person is
39 unable to consent to such sexual contact, or (C) physically helpless, or
40 (D) less than eighteen years old and the actor is such person's guardian
41 or otherwise responsible for the general supervision of such person's
42 welfare, or (E) in custody of law or detained in a hospital or other
43 institution and the actor has supervisory or disciplinary authority over
44 such other person; or (2) such person subjects another person to sexual
45 contact without such other person's consent; or (3) such person
46 engages in sexual contact with an animal or dead body; or (4) such
47 person is a psychotherapist and subjects another person to sexual
48 contact who is (A) a patient of the actor and the sexual contact occurs

49 during the psychotherapy session, or (B) a patient or former patient of
50 the actor and such patient or former patient is emotionally dependent
51 upon the actor, or (C) a patient or former patient of the actor and the
52 sexual contact occurs by means of therapeutic deception; or (5) such
53 person subjects another person to sexual contact and accomplishes the
54 sexual contact by means of false representation that the sexual contact
55 is for a bona fide medical purpose by a health care professional; or (6)
56 such person is a school employee and subjects another person to sexual
57 contact who is a student enrolled in a school in which the actor works
58 or a school under the jurisdiction of the local or regional board of
59 education which employs the actor; or (7) such person is a coach in an
60 athletic activity or a person who provides intensive, ongoing
61 instruction and subjects another person to sexual contact who is a
62 recipient of coaching or instruction from the actor and is under
63 nineteen years of age.

64 (b) Sexual assault in the fourth degree is a class A misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To include within the offenses of sexual assault in the second degree and sexual assault in the fourth degree a coach or instructor who engages in sexual intercourse or sexual contact with a person he or she is coaching or instructing and who is under nineteen years of age.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]