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To amend title 18, United States Code, to punish persons who use false or misleading domain names to attract children to Internet sites not appropriate for children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2003

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

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.”.

