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## **Bill 15**

**An Act to proclaim the month of October as Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month**

**Mrs. L. Collard**

**Private Member's Bill**

1st Reading      May 8, 2025

2nd Reading

3rd Reading

Royal Assent



**An Act to proclaim the month of October as Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month****Preamble**

The Internet is an integral part of the daily lives of Ontarians, providing opportunities for learning, communication and entertainment. Ensuring that children are safe while using the Internet is essential to ensure that young people can benefit from web access. While digital technology can offer many benefits, it also poses significant risks to children. The protection of children in the online environment is a critical issue that demands attention from parents, educators, legislators and the wider community. Cyberbullying, online grooming, exploitation and trafficking are just a few of the dangers that children may encounter on the Internet that can cause long-lasting harm. The Government of Ontario must take measures to ensure that children are protected while online.

Education is key to ensuring the safety and privacy of children online. It is crucial that parents are educated about their role in supervising their children's online activities and provided tools to exercise this important responsibility. It is also important to discuss this issue in schools to ensure that children are aware of the risks and how to protect themselves.

By proclaiming October as Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month, we prioritize the need to raise awareness about online safety and privacy for children. This month is an opportunity to highlight the importance of digital supervision, education and responsibility. It is an occasion to emphasize the role of parents and the wider community in ensuring children are safe while online. By acknowledging the significance of online safety and privacy for children, we aim to ensure that children can navigate the digital world confidently and safely.

Therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

**Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month**

**1** The month of October in each year is proclaimed as Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month.

**Commencement**

**2** This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

**Short title**

**3** The short title of this Act is the *Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month Act, 2025*.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The Bill proclaims the month of October in each year as Kids' Online Safety and Privacy Month.