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1 AN ACT Relating to first degree assault of a child; amending RCW
2 9A.36.120; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.36.120 and 1992 c 145 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) A person (~~eighteen~~) sixteen years of age or older is guilty
7 of the crime of assault of a child in the first degree if the child is
8 under the age of thirteen and the person:

9 (a) Commits the crime of assault in the first degree, as defined in
10 RCW 9A.36.011, against the child; or

11 (b) Intentionally assaults the child and either:

12 (i) Recklessly inflicts great bodily harm; or

13 (ii) Causes substantial bodily harm, and the person has previously
14 engaged in a pattern or practice either of (A) assaulting the child
15 which has resulted in bodily harm that is greater than transient
16 physical pain or minor temporary marks, or (B) causing the child
17 physical pain or agony that is equivalent to that produced by torture.

1 (2) Assault of a child in the first degree is a class A felony.

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