

State	Obscenity Statutes	Filtering Statutes	Applies to Schools	Applies to Libraries	Strength
Alabama	Ala. Code §§ 13A-12-190 - 198; Ala. Code § 13A-12-200.1 - § 13A-12-200.12.	No statute			Obscenity = Strong Filtering = No statute
Alaska	No general obscenity statute, but several obscenity statutes regarding minors: Alaska Stat. §§ 11.61.123 - 11.61.129; Alaska Stat. §§ 11.41.455 - 11.41.468.	No statute Bill introduced, but not enacted: 2007 Bill Text AK H.B. 353			Obscenity = Weak Filtering = no statute
Arizona	Title 13, Chapter 35: A.R.S. § 13-3501 through A.R.S. § 13-3561; A.R.S. § 38-448; A.R.S. §§ 13-401 - 13-403.	A.R.S. §§ 34-501 - 502, amended by 2012 Ariz. HB 2712.	yes	yes	Obscenity = Strong Filtering = Strong
Arkansas	A.C.A. §§ 5-68-201 - 205; A.C.A. §§ 5-68-501 - 502; A.C.A. §§ 5-68-301 - 308; A.C.A. §§ 5-68-402 - 406; A.C.A. §§ 5-27-401 - 405; A.C.A. §§ 5-27-302 - 306; A.C.A. §§ 5-27-601 - 608. (see also A.C.A. §§ 5-68-407 - 416; mainly procedural information w/ regard to obscenity prosecutions).	A.C.A. § 6-21-111; § 6-21-107, § 13-2-103	yes	yes	Obscenity = Strong Filtering = Moderate
California	Title 9, Chapter 7.5: Cal. Penal Code § 311-312.7. Title 9, Chapter 7.6: Cal. Penal Code § 313-313.5. Title 9, Chapter 8: Cal. Penal Code § 314-318.6 Cal. Penal Code § 1417.8; § 13021; § 5402; § 288.2; § 968	Cal. Ed. Code § 18030.5	no	yes	Obscenity = Moderate Filtering = Weak / no statute for school computers
Colorado	C.R.S. §§ 18-7-101 - 104.5. (see also C.R.S. § 18-7-208; C.R.S. § 18-7-302)	C.R.S. § 24-90-404; § 24-90-603; § 22-87-101 - 107.	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate Filtering = Moderate to Strong
Connecticut	Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 53a-193 - 200.	no statute			Obscenity = Weak to Moderate Filtering = no statute

Delaware	11 Del C. §§ 1361-1366. (see also 24 Del. C. § 1606).	29 Del. C. §§ 6601C-6607C	no	yes	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Weak & no statute for schools
District of Columbia	D.C. Code § 22-2201. (see also D.C. Code §§ 22-3101 - 3104; § 22-1312; § 34-1264.01; § 22-3312.01; § 5-115.06; § 9-1154).	no statute			Obscenity = Weak  Filtering = no statute
Florida	Fla. Stat. §§ 847.001-.202; § 823.13 (see also § 827.071; § 933.03; § 1013.22; § 847.0134; § 320.0805; § 933.02)	Fla. Stat. § 257.12 (3). (Encourages public libraries to adopt an Internet safety education program, but no filter requirements)	no	not really	Obscenity = Strong  Filtering = basically no statute for either
Georgia	O.C.G.A. §§ 16-12-80 - 105. (see also O.C.G.A. § 36-60-3; § 46-5-22).	O.C.G.A. § 20-2-324 (public schools), § 20-5-5 (public libraries)	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Strong
Hawaii	HRS §§ 712-1210 - 1219.5.	no statute			Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = no statute
Idaho	Idaho Code §§ 18-4101 - 4116 (2010); §§ 18-1513 - 1521; § 19-1428	Idaho Code § 33-2741 (library); § 33-132 (school)	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Strong
Illinois	§§ 720 ILCS 5/11-20 - 30 (2010). (see also §§ 720 ILCS 135/1-1 - 2)	no statute			Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = no statute

Indiana	Burns Ind. Code Ann. § 35-49-1-1 - § 35-49-3-4. (see also § 31-34-1-4)	Buns Ind. Code Ann. § 36-12-1-12 (library)	no	somewhat	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = basically no statute
Iowa	Iowa Code §§ 728.1-15.	Iowa Code § 256.57	no	somewhat	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = basically no statute
Kansas	K.S.A. §§ 21-6401 - 6402. (21-4301 was repealed)	no statute	no	no	Obscenity = Weak  Filtering = no statute
Kentucky	KRS §§ 531.010-370.	KRS § 156.675	yes	no	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Strong for schools, no statute for libraries
Louisiana	La. R.S. 14:106 - 14:106.3; La. R.S. 14:283; La. R.S. 14:19.11; La. R.S. 32:378.1 (see also La R.S. 14:89; 46:1845; 14:81.1.1)	La. R.S. § 17:100.7 (schools) La. R.S. § 51:1426 (Requires Internet service providers to make available to subscribers who are Louisiana residents a product or service that enables the subscriber to control a child's use of the Internet.)	yes	no	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Moderate for schools, no statute for libraries
Maine	17 M.R.S. §§ 2911 - 2913	no statute			Obscenity = Weak  Filtering = no statute

Maryland	Md. CRIMINAL LAW Code Ann. §§ 11-201 - 11-211; §§ 11-101 - 107. (see also § 3-805).	Md. EDUCATION Code Ann. 23 § 506.1 Md. COMMERCIAL LAW Code Ann. §§ 14-3701 - 3705 (Requires Internet service providers to make parental controls that enable blocking or filtering of websites available to subscribers in the state.)	no	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Weak for Libraries; no statute for schools
Massachusetts	ALM GL ch. 272, §§ 29-30D; §§ 31-35A (see also ALM GL ch. 6, § 101)	ALM GL ch. 71, 93	yes	no	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Weak for schools; no statute for libraries
Michigan	MCLS § 752.361-.370; MCLS § 750.142-.143; 722.675-.677;	MCLS § 397.602, § 397.606	no	yes	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Weak for libraries; no statute for schools
Minnesota	Minn. Stat. §§ 617.241-.299. (see also § 609B.540; 37.18)	Minn. Stat. § 125B.15 (K5 - 12th grade schools); § 134.50 (public libraries)	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Moderate
Mississippi	Miss. Code Ann. §§ 97-29-45, §§ 97-29-101 - 109; § 97-5-27; § 97-5-29; § 97-5-31; § 97-5-33. (see also § 97-29-59; § 97-29-63; § 97-29-61; § 97-29-65; § 19-5-103; § 45-33-23; § 37-43-31)	no statute			Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = no statute
Missouri	§§ 573.010-.100 R.S.Mo.; §§ 573.500-.537 R.S.Mo. (see also § 560.080 R.S.Mo.)	§§ 182.825-.827 R.S.Mo.	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Moderate to Strong

Montana	Mont. Code Anno. §§ 45-8-201 - 208. (see also Mont. Code Anno. § 45-5-504)	no statute			Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = no statute
Nebraska	R.R.S. Neb. § 28-805 - § 28-813.02; (see also R.R.S. Neb. § 28-821; § 28-826; § 28-827; § 28-833; §28-351)	no statute			
Nevada	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 201.235-.254; Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 201.256-.2655. (see also Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 201.220; § 207.180)	Nev. Rev. Stat. § 603.100 - § 603.170 (Requires Internet service providers to offer, under certain circumstances, products or services that enable subscribers to regulate and monitor a child's use of the Internet.)	no	no	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = no statute regarding schools or libraries
New Hampshire	RSA 650:1-6; RSA 649-A - 649-B-6. (see also RSA 645:1)	RSA 194:3-d	yes	no	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Moderate for schools, no statute for libraries

New Jersey	N.J. Stat. §§ 2C:34-2 - 7. (see also N.J. Stat. § 2C:24-4; §§ 2C:33-12.1 - 12.2; § 2C:14-4)	no statute			Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = no statute
New Mexico	N.M. Stat. Ann. § 30-37-1 to § 30-37-10; § 30-38-1 to § 30-38-2. (see also N.M. Stat. Ann. § 30-9-20; §§ 30-9-14 - 14.3; 30-9-1; §§ 30-6A-1 - 4; § 30-6-3; § 3-18-17; § 30-20-12; § 32A-4-2)	no statute			
New York	NY CLS Penal §§ 235.00-24; NY CLS Penal §§ 263.00-.30 (see also NY CLS Penal § 410.00; §§ 245.00-.02; NY CLS Agr & M § 288; NY CLS Penal §§ 245.10-11)	NY CLS Educ § 260 (12) (only requires trustees of libraries to create internet use policy); (see also un-passed bill: 2009 Legis. Bill Hist. NY S.B. 1489)	no	somewhat	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Weak, no statute for schools
North Carolina	N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-190.1 to § 14-190.15. (see also N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 14-190.16 - .17A; § 19-1)	no statute			Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = no statute
North Dakota	N.D. Cent. Code, § 12.1-27.1-01 to § 12.1-27.1-03.3; § 12.1-27.2-01 to § 12.1-27.2-06; § 12.1-26-1-12. (see also N.D. Cent. Code, § 12.1-20-05.1.; N.D. Cent. Code, § 40-05-17; § 11-11-62; § 12.1-06.1-01)	no statute			Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = no statute
Ohio	ORC Ann. § 2907.01; ORC Ann. §§ 2907.31-.41. (see also ORC Ann. 503.52; 519.02; 2907.09; 109.40; 2919.22)	ORC Ann. 3314.21 (internet-based schools); ORC Ann. 3375.64 (public libraries)	some	yes	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Weak, no statute for non internet-based schools or any libraries

Oklahoma	(Title 21, Chapter 39) 21 Okl. St. § 1021 to § 1025; 21 Okl. St. § 1040.8 to § 1040.56; 21 Okl. St. §§ 1040.75-80.	Oklahoma 1996 H.C.R. 1097 (uncodified) (schools); no statute for librarians, but see 2007 Bill Text OK H.B. 1715. (see also 21 Okl. St. § 1040.80)	yes	no	Obscenity = Strong  Filtering = Moderate for schools, no statute for libraries
Oregon	ORS §§ 167.051-100.	no statute			Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = no statute
Pennsylvania	18 Pa.C.S. § 5903; 18 Pa.C.S. § 6301;  (see also 18 Pa.C.S. § 6318, § 5901; 68 Pa.C.S. §§ 5501-5509.)	24 P.S. §§ 4601-4612.	yes	yes	Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = Strong
Rhode Island	R.I. Gen. Laws § 11-31-1 to § 11-31-13.  (see also R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-19-8; § 11-9-1; § 12-27-1 to § 12-27-12; § 12-5-8; § 5-22-5)	no statute			Obscenity = Weak to Moderate  Filtering = no statute
South Carolina	S.C. Code Ann. § 16-15-305 - § 16-15-445; § 16-15-250; § 16-15-3885; § 57-25-20.	S.C. Code Ann. § 10-1-205, § 10-1-206.	unclear	yes	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Weak for libraries, no explicit statute for schools
South Dakota	S.D. Codified Laws § 22-24-1.1 - § 22-24-68; § 22-24A-1 to § 22-24A-20; § 9-29-9; § 23A-36-1 - § 23A-36-10.  (see also S.D. Codified Laws § 22-22-7 to § 22-22-47; § 22-24B-1; §§ 21-8-16 - 18.	S.D. Codified Laws § 22-24-55 to § 22-24-59.	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Strong

Tennessee	Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-901 to § 39-17-914; §§ 39-17-1001 - 1008. (see also Tenn. Code Ann. § 66-7-105; § 55-8-187)	Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-221.	yes	no	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = Moderate for schools, no statute for libraries
Texas	Tex. Penal Code § 43.21 to § 43.27; Tex. Bus. & Com. Code § 321.101;  (see also Tex. Alco. Bev. Code § 101.64; 104.01; Tex. Bus. & Com. Code § 321.001; § 321.052; Tex. Local Gov't Code §§ 243.001 -.011 )	Tex. Bus. & Com. Code §§ 323.001 - .003. (Requires an interactive computer service provider to place a link to free or shareware filtering software conspicuously on the first accessible web page of the service provider. Establishes a civil penalty of \$2,000 for each day the provider fails to comply.)	no	no	Obscenity = Moderate to Strong  Filtering = no statute
Utah	Utah Code Ann. § 10-8-41 - 41.5, §§ 76-10-1201 - 1212.  (see also Utah Code Ann. § 67-5-18; § 67-5-1.5; § 76-9-702 )	Utah Code Ann. § 9-7-215 - 216; Utah Code Ann. § 53A-3-422 - 423. Utah Code § 76-10-1231 (Requires Internet service providers, upon request by a consumer, to provide in-network filtering or filtering software to prevent transmission of material harmful to minors.)	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Moderate to Strong
Vermont	13 V.S.A. §§ 2801 - 2813.  (see also 13 V.S.A. 2605)	no statute			Obscenity = Weak (only applies to minors)  Filtering = no statute
Virginia	Va. Code Ann. § 18.2-372 to § 18.2-387.1; Va. Code Ann. § 19.2-270.1:1.  (see also Va. Code Ann. § 15.2-926.2; §§ 4.1-225 - 226.; § 40.1-100.2; § 46.2-1077.01; § 18.2-356)	Va. Code Ann. § 22.1-70.2 (schools); § 42.1-36.1 (libraries)	yes	yes	Obscenity = Moderate  Filtering = Moderate to Strong



Washington	<p>Rev. Code Wash. (ARCW) §§ 9.68.015 - 9.68.900; §§ 9.68 A.001 - 9.68A.912; § 10.37.130</p> <p>(see also Rev. Code Wash. (ARCW) §§ 7.42.010 - 7.42..900; §§ 7.48.050 - 7.48A.120; § 9A.88.010)</p>	no statute			<p>Obscenity = Strong</p> <p>Filtering = no statute</p>
West Virginia	<p>W. Va. Code § 7-1-4; § 8-12-5b; §§ 61-8A-1 - 61-8A-5; §§ 61-8C-1 - 61-8C-11.</p> <p>(see also W. Va. Code § 61-8-9; §§ 61-8-26 - 61-8-28)</p>	no statute			<p>Obscenity = Moderate</p> <p>Filtering = no statute</p>
Wisconsin	<p>Wis. Stat. §§ 944.21 - 944.25; § 948.12; § 947.0125.</p> <p>(see also Wis. Stat. § 944.17; § 944.20; §§ 948.05 - 948.08; §§ 948.10 - 948.13; § 948.40; § 806.05)</p>	no statute			<p>Obscenity = Moderate</p> <p>Filtering = no statute</p>
Wyoming	<p>Wyo. Stat. §§ 6-4-301 - 6-4-304.</p> <p>(see also Wyo. Stat. § 6-4-201; § 6-4-4-3; § 1-29-106; § 12-5-204)</p>	no statute			<p>Obscenity = Weak</p> <p>Filtering = no statute</p>



