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What Is A 'Sexual Orientation'?

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1. **Apotemnophilia** - sexual arousal associated with the stump(s) of an amputee
2. **Asphyxophilia** - sexual gratification derived from activities that involve oxygen deprivation through hanging, strangulation, or other means
3. **Autogynephilia** - the sexual arousal of a man by his own perception of himself as a woman or dressed as a woman (p. 574)
4. **Bisexual** - the capacity to feel erotic attraction toward, or to engage in sexual interaction with, both males and females
5. **Coprophilia** - sexual arousal associated with feces (p. 576)
6. **Exhibitionism** - the act of exposing one's genitals to an unwilling observer to obtain sexual gratification (p. 569)
7. **Fetishism/Sexual Fetishism** - obtaining sexual excitement primarily or exclusively from an inanimate object or a particular part of the body (p. 570)
8. **Frotteurism** - approaching an unknown woman from the rear and pressing or rubbing the penis against her buttocks (p. 570)
9. **Heterosexuality** - the universal norm of sexuality with those of the opposite sex
10. **Homosexual/Gay/Lesbian** - people who form sexual relationships primarily or exclusively with members of their own gender
11. **Gender Identity Disorder** - a strong and persistent cross-gender identification, which is the desire to be, or the insistence that one is, or the other sex, "along with" persistent discomfort about one's assigned sex or a sense of the inappropriateness in the gender role of that sex (p. 576)
12. **Gerontosexuality** - distinct preference for sexual relationships primarily or exclusively with an elderly partner
13. **Incest** - sex with a sibling or parent
14. **Kleptophilia** - obtaining sexual excitement from stealing

18. **Pedophilia** - Sexual activity with a prepubescent child (generally age 13 years or younger). The individual with pedophilia must be age 16 years or older and at least 5 years older than the child. For individuals in late adolescence with pedophilia, no precise age difference is specified, and clinical judgment must be used; both the sexual maturity of the child and the age difference must be taken into account; the adult may be sexually attracted to opposite sex, same sex, or prefer either (p. 571)
19. **Prostitution** - the act or practice of offering sexual stimulation or intercourse for money
20. **Sexual Masochism** - obtaining sexual gratification by being subjected to pain or humiliation (p. 573)
21. **Sexual Sadism** - the intentional infliction of pain or humiliation on another person in order to achieve sexual excitement (p. 574)
22. **Telephone Scatalogia** - sexual arousal associated with making or receiving obscene phone calls (p. 576)
23. **Toucherism** - characterized by a strong desire to touch the breast or genitals of an unknown woman without her consent; often occurs in conjunction with other paraphilia
24. **Transgenderism** - an umbrella term referring to and/or covering transvestitism, drag queen/king, and transsexualism
25. **Transsexual** - a person whose gender identity is different from his or her anatomical gender
26. **Transvestite** - a person who is sexually stimulated or gratified by wearing the clothes of the other gender
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27. **Transvestic Fetishism** - Intense sexually arousing fantasies, sexual urges, or behaviors involving cross-dressing (p. 575)
28. **Urophilia** - sexual arousal associated with urine (p. 576)
29. **Voyeurism** - obtaining sexual arousal by observing people without their consent when they are undressed or engaged in sexual activity (p. 575)
30. **Zoophilia/Bestiality** - engaging in sexual activity with animals (p. 576)
- "Sexual orientation", "gender identification", or "gender expression," are broad terms that would codify into law some behaviors that are considered criminal (frotteurism, incest, necrophilia, pedophilia, prostitution, zoophilia and voyeurism). Therefore, the Christian Action League ask that these terms either be amended out of House Bill 721 Carrboro/Housing Discrimination or the measure be defeated in Committee.