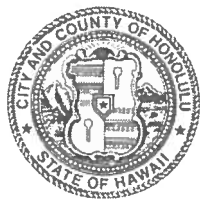


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February 12, 2021

The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair
and Members
Committee on Judiciary
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Rhoads and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 834, Relating to Childlike Sex Dolls

I am Randall Platt, Captain of the Criminal Investigation Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 834, Relating to Childlike Sex Dolls.

Sexual abuse and assault of children are among the most heinous of crimes. The HPD supports the efforts of the legislators to protect the children of Hawaii (who are among the most vulnerable in society) from sexual predators.

The HPD urges you to support Senate Bill No. 834, Relating to Childlike Sex Dolls. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

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Susan Ballard
Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Randall Platt in black ink.

Randall Platt, Captain
Criminal Investigation Division

SB-834

Submitted on: 2/5/2021 4:55:38 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/12/2021 9:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brendan Ajolo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Keep our kids safe.

SB-834

Submitted on: 2/6/2021 12:32:19 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/12/2021 9:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tracy Ryan	Individual	Comments	No

Comments:

The question should be do these dolls increase or decrease the number of children who are victimized by pedophiles. The bill assumes that they increase, without good data or justification. . We should carefully evaluate the question I have asked . After all the use of a sex doll to fulfill the sexual desires of those who are in this offender category is far less problematic than the use of a live human child. A follow up to the John's Hopkins study and other research may be of value here.

SB-834

Submitted on: 2/10/2021 2:04:30 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/12/2021 9:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leah	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Any way you look at this act of encouraging child sex toys should be given a charge of a felony or higher crime. Standing tall to protect the future of my own children!

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Thirty-first State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawai'i

February 12, 2021

RE: S.B. 834; RELATING TO CHILDLIKE SEX DOLLS.

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Keohokalole, members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu (“Department”) submits the following testimony in support of S.B. 834, and recommends several amendments.

The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the importation, sale or possession of childlike sex dolls. While the Department has not yet come across any of these dolls, it is quite possible that they have been coming into or through Hawaii undetected, as they are not yet prohibited.

Given the strong likelihood for these dolls to be used to reinforce pedophilic thoughts, or to groom potential child victims, the Department strongly agrees that these objects present a serious risk to public safety and should be prohibited. If the Committee passes this bill, there may be places where specific language could be improved upon, such as amending “sexual stimulation or gratification” (page 3, line 19) to “sexual stimulation, gratification, or perversion,” to mirror language from the definition of “sexual conduct,” in Section 712-1210, Hawaii Revised Statutes. We would also recommend adding the words “of Hawaii” to page 3, line 8, after the word “State.”

In addition, it is unclear why the bill requires ten of these objects before the offense increases to a class B felony. If possible, we would recommend lowering that number—perhaps to five or possibly less—because ten is a relatively large number, and possession of even five of these objects seems to indicate an intent to disseminate, rather than for personal use.

For all of the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu supports the passage of S.B. 834, with the proposed amendments. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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SB-834

Submitted on: 2/11/2021 1:43:54 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/12/2021 9:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jessica Munoz	Testifying for Ho'ola Na Pua	Support	No

Comments:

Testimony in support of: SB834 Relating to Childlike Sex Dolls

Submitted by: Ho'Å• la NÄ• Pua

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Keohokalole, and Honorable Members,

Ho'Å• la NÄ• Pua is in support of establishing the felony offense of importation, sale, or possession of a childlike sex doll.

Pedophilic behavior should not be encouraged. Please do not allow, and establish a penalty for, the sale or possession of these dolls in our state.

Respectfully,

Ho'Å• la NÄ• Pua

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SB-834

Submitted on: 2/11/2021 4:46:09 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/12/2021 9:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
kristofor gellert	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

the sale of child like sex dolls is disgusting and should not be allowed