A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A MINOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 709-903.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended b	y amending subsection (1) to read as follows:	
3	"(1)	Except as provided in subsection (2), a person	
4	commits t	he offense of endangering the welfare of a minor in the	
5	first degree if, having care or custody of a minor, the person:		
6	(a)	Intentionally or knowingly allows another person to	
7		inflict serious or substantial bodily injury on the	
8		minor; or	
9	(d)	Intentionally or knowingly causes or permits the minor	
10		to <u>inject</u> , ingest [methamphetamine.], or inhale any	
11		controlled substance that has not been prescribed by a	
12		physician."	
13	SECT	ION 2. Section 709-904, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
14	amended b	y amending subsection (1) to read as follows:	
15	"(1)	Except as provided in section 709-903.5(2), a person	
16	commits t	he offense of endangering the welfare of a minor in the	
17	second de	gree if, having care or custody of a minor, the person:	

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1	(a)	Recklessly allows another person to inflict serious or
2		substantial bodily injury on the minor; or
3	(b)	Recklessly causes or permits the minor to inject,
4		ingest [methamphetamine.], or inhale a controlled
5		substance that has not been prescribed by a
6		physician."
7	SECT	ION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
8	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
9	begun, before its effective date.	
10	SECT	ION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
12	SECT	ION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.

Report Title:

Endangering the welfare of a minor.

Description:

Expands the crimes of endangering the welfare of a minor in the first and second degrees to include situations in which an adult causes or permits a minor to inject, ingest, or inhale a controlled substance that was not prescribed by a physician. (HB1406 HD1)